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WILMINGTON DPW WORKER Frank Castiglione was busy diggin out fire hydrants on Monday as residents were digging themselves out. The Fire Dept asks that you clear any fire hydrant near your house. It only makes sense! (Stu Neilson photo)

2003 campaign kicks off with familiar faces

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Baby New Year has barely learned to crawl, but the campaign season for the 2003 Annual Town Election has begun with a sprint.

The new official campaign season kicked off less than one week ago, and already races, particularly for seats on the Board of Selectmen, are beginning to take shape.

In fact, judging by the names of candidates who have already taken out nomination papers from the Office of the Town Clerk, the multiple bids to fill this election's two available selectmen seats rather resemble... well, the stampede to fill the board's most recent vacancy that occurred just a few months ago.

A look at the names in question might give you a sense of deja-vu, as though this was still

2002: Residents Gerald Duggan, Karl Sagal, Frank West and Ann Yurek have all thrown their hats in the ring for the three-year term that is up for grabs. Last summer and fall, all four individuals sought to fill the vacancy on the board that was created when Selectman Scott Garrant resigned from his position in July.

That vacancy ultimately went to John Forrest, who has occupied it since and has already picked up his nomination papers. Forrest hopes to be elected in April, so that he can finish the unexpired one-year term that is also available on the board. He will be challenged by Daniel Wandell, Junior, who also sought to fill Garrant's vacancy in 2002.

Incumbent Selectman Robert Cain, who is currently the chairman of the board, has not yet taken out nomination papers in a bid for re-election. Selectman Cain has served on the board since the late 1970s. It is the three-year seat currently occupied by Cain for which Duggan, Sagal, West and Yurek will compete.

Such a bevy of bids stands in stark contrast to the selectmen race last year, in which two three-year posts on the board were available and Raymond Lepore and incumbents George Hooper and Michael McCoy sought them. The election, which concluded the most negative and heated campaign season in years, resulted in a first-place finish for newcomer Lepore and a runner-up victory

for McCoy.

Only one other individual, James Gillis, has surfaced since nomination papers became available at the town hall on Thursday, January 2. Gillis will be seeking the single three-year term for the taking on the Regional Vocational Technical School Committee.

Town Clerk Kay Scanlon is hoping that more residents will come forward in the weeks ahead to seek these other available posts: a three-year term as Town Moderator; two three-year stints on the School Committee; one year of an unexpired term on the School Committee; one five-year position on the Housing Authority; and a five-year seat on the Redevelopment Authority.

In order to make bids official, candidates must get 50 or more registered voters to sign on the dotted line, so that said office seekers can pass their nomination papers into the Board of Registrars by Monday, March 3.

This year, the Annual Town Election will be held on Saturday, April 19. The last day for residents to register to vote for the town election and, additionally, the Annual Town Meeting on Saturday, April 26, is Monday, March 31, 2003.

As a side note, anyone who hopes to include an article to be included in the warrant for the town meeting on April 26 needs to submit said article to the Town Clerk's Office no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 7.

Snow and ice budget hasn't melted...yet

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Whoever joyfully sang "Let It Snow" this past holiday season sure has gotten their wish.

According to Donald Onusseit, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, more than 40 inches of snow has fallen on Wilmington since that out-of-nowhere dusting that surprised the community

all the way back on October 23. Usually, Wilmington gets approximately 50 to 55 inches of snow each winter, so, considering that it is merely the first week of January, the community could be poised for a record-breaking season of snow.

"This is a bit of a milestone for where we are," says Onusseit.

Nonetheless, hopes of staying

within the town's current budget for snow and ice removal are far from melting. According to Superintendent Onusseit, \$386,580 has been allotted by the town this winter to cover overtime for town employees, pay contractors, buy sand and salt, make repairs and tend to other needs to keep roads clear, clean and safe. As of the blanket of snow that fell on Monday

night, the town has spent only \$261,000 of that amount.

Onusseit says that the town's snow and ice budget is able to stay in shape because its figures are based on what may be needed for a typical winter, as opposed to allocations that are calculated by taking into account the milder accumulations of the past two years.

"We're way ahead of where we would like to be, if you look at the \$386,000 as sufficient enough for a normal winter," says Onusseit.

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WHS Play

Play tackles important teenage "Stuff"

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Interested in an evening of refinement and culture at the theatre?

You don't have to go all the way into Boston. Just head down to Wilmington High School. The Drama Club at WHS is putting on its production of "And Stuff," a play by Peter Dee, on January 9th and 10th. This is the club's first performance of the year and marks the first full length production coordinated and directed

by Jason Luciana, the new drama teacher at Wilmington High School.

According to Kristin Kanter, a Wilmington High School senior and the Drama Club Publicist, the play is a drama consisting of a series of monologues and dialogues. The performance deals with the many daily issues and concerns of today's teenager. Topics range from gossiping amongst friends to growing up with divorced parents. The story even touches on

school shootings.

There are approximately 25 students involved in the production, which Kanter describes as "an ensemble piece. Everyone has significant parts and there is no one shining star."

The play was written in 1984 and premiered on August 9, 1985, but is right up to the minute with the issues it deals with. The scenes are not threaded together by a particular plot, but by the overriding

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Cuts in aid mean it's "raining out"

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON-Massachusetts is facing deficits not seen since the Great Depression in the 1930s, and the state has promises to cut spending by nearly \$3 billion to help close financial gaps. As a result, Wilmington and other towns throughout the Commonwealth are bracing for severe cuts in the local aid on which they had previously come to rely on the state.

Town Manager Michael Cairra is expecting Wilmington's portion of state aid to be cut by at least 10 percent this year.

"We are going to see less

growth," says Town Manager Cairra. "We will have to be very judicious in the way we spend."

Wilmington is going to have to tighten its belt, but it won't be looking at the deficits that many of the surrounding towns are going to be facing. Tewksbury, for instance, will be looking at a deficit of between \$1 and \$3.6 million, due, in part, to the cut in state aid, according to David Cressman, the town manager of that community.

Wilmington is one of the very few municipalities in the state to have a surplus, or a "rainy

day" fund, that will help the town weather such financial stormy waters.

Last year, Wilmington received \$9.6 million in state aid and used \$2,169,000 of it towards new school reimbursement for the recently completed Middle School. The rest of the money went into the town's general fund. In total, state aid regularly makes up for 15 to 17 percent of Wilmington's annual budget. A number of towns and cities within the Commonwealth are cited as

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Route 93

Motorist charged with vehicular homicide

By STAFF REPORTS

WILMINGTON - Andrew Martin, of North Andover, was to appear in Woburn District Court on Wednesday, January 8, and face charges of vehicular homicide in the wake of a fatal accident that occurred on Route 93 in Wilmington last week.

At approximately 8:30 on the evening of Monday, December 30, Martin, who was driving southbound on Route 93, veered off the road, struck a jump, and

smashed into a bridge abutment. Upon impact, Martin and his passenger, Andrew Cavanaugh, 22, a friend from Chelsea, were ejected from the vehicle.

Cavanaugh was killed. Martin did not receive any life-threatening injuries. He was taken by helicopter to Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, treated, and released.

Later that evening, Martin was arrested and charged with committing vehicular homicide,

driving recklessly, and operating a car while under the influence of alcohol.

Martin had been expected to appear in Woburn's Fourth District Court on December 31, but that date was pushed back to January 8.

Southbound traffic through Wilmington on Route 93 was stopped for period of time and was disrupted for as long as two hours.

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Dunkin Donuts robber nabbed

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - A suspect has been arrested and charged with the December 15th robbery of the Dunkin Donuts on Main Street in Wilmington. According to local authorities, Edward Toscano, 34, who does not have a fixed address, was apprehended through a joint effort between the Wilmington, Billerica, and Tewksbury Police Departments.

At approximately 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 21, a male

wearing a hooded sweatshirt and mask entered the Dunkin Donuts Market on Shawshen Street in Tewksbury, showed an automatic weapon to the clerk behind the counter and demanded money. The suspect then allegedly exited the store and was observed getting into a vehicle.

Eyewitnesses were able to provide Tewksbury police with a description of the vehicle and some of the numbers on its

license plate. Tewksbury Police Officer Kevin Reese recognized the description of the vehicle as belonging to Toscano.

Toscano, who was already a focus of Wilmington detectives during the ongoing investigation into the robbery at Dunkin Donuts, was known, by Reese, to be staying at a home in Wilmington. Tewksbury police alerted Wilmington authorities

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EXPRESSIONS . . . AND STUFF. Budding thespians Jennifer Lee and Meaghan Carter, who are both seniors at Wilmington High School, rehearsed their roles in "And Stuff," a play that will be performed by the Drama Club on Thursday and Friday night. The production deals with a number of important issues, including the especially sensitive topic of school shootings. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

A year-long search springs up Wandells' Scottish roots

By AIMEE MAILLETT

WILMINGTON - The holiday season is a time when families reunite to join each other in celebrating the festivities. For most, this annual gathering is the only chance to catch up with those relatives who live further away, reminding everyone just how important family is.

For the Wandell family, of Wilmington, the chance discovery that a mystery cousin of theirs from Scotland had been trying to get a hold of her long-lost relatives for a year proved that the holiday miracles do happen.

It all began one year ago, when a lady named Sandra McWhirter Roddick, of Cumbernauld, Scotland, began searching for relatives from her mother's side of the family, known as the Morgans. She had lost contact with them when they moved from Scotland to the U.S. back in the late forties, soon after World War II.

With the help of a faithful and computer-savvy friend, David McMillan, also of Scotland, McWhirter was able to trace her relatives right here in Wilmington.

"I had only recently acquired a computer and said (to Sandra) I would see what could be done on the Internet to trace the Morgan family," says McMillan.

Through resources on the Internet, McMillan was able to find that McWhirter's aunt, Margaret

Morgan, born in 1902 in Glasgow, Scotland, had married Walter Bell and moved to Wilmington, Massachusetts in 1947.

"I was fortunate to make some contacts in Wilmington, but the crucial one was Kathleen Black Reynolds, the Curator of the Harnden Tavern/Wilmington Town Museum," says McMillan. "She, unbeknownst to me at the time, researched at Wilmington's Memorial Library, under 'Persons Listed' for records of the Bell family. This was done from only the bare scraps of information I had given her about the Bell family's exodus from Scotland. She provided me, in December 2001, with a history of the addresses and occupations between the years 1946/47 to 1965/66, at which point no further details could be found for the family."

Following advice from Reynolds, McMillan wrote to the Town Clerk of Wilmington, and waited, and waited. While anticipating an answer and fearing he had reached a dead end as the month of July approached, McMillan made contact with Ruth Kennedy, the Assistant Secretary of the Wilmington Rotary Club and executive of WCTV.

"I was accepting on blind faith that this person had good intentions," says Kennedy of the mystery e-mail sent by McMillan in search of McWhirter's relatives.

Kennedy offered to put up a message requesting information about the Bell family on WCTV. No replies were made.

Finally, two months later, McMillan received a reply from Town Clerk Kay Scanlon, who produced a marriage certificate for a John and Josephine Bell, from September 25, 1949.

Though the information looked to be helpful, the whereabouts of John and Josephine could not be unearthed.

Once again, in November, Kennedy ran a message on WCTV and did not receive a response then, either. All hopes were lost, until she realized, while getting ready for the Wilmington Rotary Club's recent auction, that the answer had been sitting right underneath her nose.

Wandell, which was Josephine's maiden name, had been one of the names that McMillan had been searching for. When this dawned on Kennedy while she prepared for the auction, she looked beside her and noticed fellow Rotarian Daniel Wandell, Jr. Wilmington resident Wandell, it turns out, is Josephine Bell's nephew.

"I got involved in the search when Ruth recognized that my aunt's maiden name, Wandell, was one of the names that David McMillan was trying to trace," says Wandell. "We were setting up for

the Rotary Auction when Ruth realized I had the same last name."

"I was showing (Dan) the e-mails, and he was, like, that's my aunt and uncle," says Kennedy, who found that John and Josephine Bell were living in Walterboro, South Carolina.

"Dan Wandell and Ruth Kennedy advised Sandra of this news, and Sandra has now spoken to John and Josephine in South Carolina," beams McMillan. "She has now acquired a host of cousins and relatives she has been seeking for so many years, and it is hoped they will meet in Scotland in the coming year."

"Hearing from David and Sandra about their happy ending was special because they were so joyful and their sentiments were so obvious in their e-mails, letters and personal contacts," says Reynolds. "It was a special experience for me to provide missing pieces to their genealogy puzzle, pieces that seemed to have allowed them to finish the puzzle. We all have experienced what it feels like to 'come home' and be connected in this great circle of life. David and Sandra have made me feel like part of their 'extended' family for contributing to their experience. That warms my heart, especially during this holiday season. After all, isn't that what family is all about?"



A DAY OF SLEDDING. Marie Caprio, 11, left, and Catherine Mulholland, 12, right, sped down the hills of a yard on Redgate Road in Tewksbury during one of the recent snowstorms that have socked the region. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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Losses, disputes affecting fulfillment of housing requirement

By STEPHEN BJORK

TEWKSBURY - Community Development Director Steven Sadwick and Planning and Conservation Department member Jay Kelley presented to the Board of Selectmen on January 7 their take on the issue surrounding affordable housing in Tewksbury.

All towns in Massachusetts are required to have at least 10 percent of its total housing units allocated as affordable housing pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40B.

Currently, Tewksbury has a total of 430 units that count towards the affordable housing stock, which constitutes a little more than four percent of the requirement. The status of a small number of units within the Merrimack Meadows complex are in dispute, due to tracking problems.

One of Sadwick's and Kelley's primary goals involved identifying any properties in Tewksbury that had been lost to the affordable housing count over the years. They concluded that a total of six units

were lost due to real estate market fluctuations during the mid-Nineties.

The units in question were built during the early 1990s when real estate values were at a low, and the owners of those properties were allowed to sell the units at fair market value during that period as the values peaked.

According to Sadwick and Kelley, an additional unit was lost due to a foreclosure, and there is still one unit unaccounted for, making a total of eight units lost.

Singleton indicted

By STEPHEN BJORK

TEWKSBURY - An Essex County Grand Jury has indicted local resident Mark Singleton, who has been charged with drinking and driving and killing a teenager during an automobile accident on Route 93 in 2002.

The indictment, which was handed down in Salem on Monday, December 30, sets the stage for Singleton's arraignment at Salem Superior Court on Friday, January 10.

According to Prosecutor Stephen O'Connell, who is trying the case, Singleton is facing charges that he drove while under the influence of alcohol, operated his car negligently, committed vehicular homicide, and left the scene

of an accident at which he caused property damage.

The charges stem from an accident in April of 2002, in which Singleton allegedly struck and killed Kimberly Holland, 19, of Malden, while her Volkswagen Jetta was parked in the breakdown lane of the northbound side of Route 93 in Andover. An unidentified passenger in Holland's vehicle escaped the accident without injury.

If Singleton is found guilty of the charge of vehicular homicide, then he could potentially face a term in prison that could last as many as 15 years.

At the time of the accident, Singleton had been serving on the Tewksbury Zoning Board of Appeals.

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The rate of inflation was relatively low last year, so the figures for taxes and Social Security are little changed. The new Social Security wage base was expected to be \$87,300, one of the smallest hikes in years. Benefits will only increase about 1.4 percent.

Other small gains have been introduced. The personal exemption for 2003 will be \$3,050. For non-itemizers, the standard deductions move up slightly to \$7,950 for married couples or \$8,900 if over sixty-five and \$9,850 if both are. For singles, the rate deduction is \$4,750 or \$5,900 for those over sixty-five. For heads of households, the numbers are \$7,000 or \$8,150 if over sixty-five.

Income tax phaseouts will inch up. Itemized deductions won't start to disappear until \$139,500 of adjusted income. Personal exemptions will be trimmed by two percent for each \$2,500 of AGI over \$209,250 for marrieds, \$139,500 for singles and \$174,400 for heads of households.

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Moore Staffing Services has announced the formation of a Human Resources Professionals support group called HR Stars. HR Stars is networking forum for Human Resources professionals who are unemployed or are considering a new position. The current economic downturn has caused significant Human Resource Professional job loss. HR Stars is an excellent source for Human Resource Professionals to meet other HR Professionals and share ideas and experiences and provide job leads. The first meeting of HR Stars is scheduled for Monday, February 3 at 5:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Human Re-

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From the Editor's Desk

By Shawn P. Sullivan

Feeling Our Pain

What goes up, must come down. This simple law of physics, we have learned this week, even applies to the pay raises of state lawmakers. Most of them, anyway. During the past few days, state legislators have debated whether or not to accept an increase in pay that has been provided for them by a ballot question that voters supported and approved back in 1998. The question gave voters the opportunity to revisit legislators' salaries every two years and adjust them according to the current standing of the median household income.

According to press reports, Governor Mitt Romney has declared the median household income to be 6.5 percent higher than it was two years ago. Therefore, legislators can expect this year to see their base pay jump from \$50,123 to \$53,387.

Or can they? Those were heady days, back in 1998, when voters pulled the lever for "yes" when faced with that question. The stock market soared to the moon, jobs were easy to find, and, well, such times were a far cry from the sluggish economy, higher unemployment rate, and threat to our security that we see today. Now Massachusetts is stuck at the bottom of a \$3 billion black hole and looking for ways to climb out of it.

As a result, lots of funds and programs are being eliminated or reduced. Local aid, so crucial to towns such as Wilmington and Tewksbury, will likely be reduced by as much as 10 percent.

Given that, does it send a bad message if legislators accept a hike in pay that would ultimately cost taxpayers as much as \$650,000?

The knee-jerk answer is "yes." A more thoughtful answer requires more difficulty.

After all, this is a pay raise that has been approved by voters, as opposed to the salary increases that legislators in Washington cheerfully give themselves every now and then. Furthermore, if, on average, households in Massachusetts are earning incomes that are 6.5 percent higher, then why shouldn't such a figure be reflected in the households of lawmakers as well?

Lawmakers, including local ones such as Senator Susan Tucker, should be applauded for the sensitivity and consideration with which they have turned down the raise. Such a decision is, granted, politically smart, but it also suggests that legislators understand that desperate times call for desperate measures.

Governor Romney is a well established millionaire, so when he announced that he would forgo his salary, it was at best a symbolic gesture, especially when it came to light that his staffers would be paid more. (Romney did say, however, that such higher salaries would better attract more qualified individuals, and such a notion does have merit.)

Surely, for many rich lawmakers, following Romney's lead makes for an equally symbolic move. For others, though, the decision to skip a raise might transcend symbolism and achieve a small, but noteworthy, degree of sacrifice. That should resonate with residents in the Commonwealth who are pinching pennies, denying themselves even the simplest luxuries, wrestling with debt, and feeling jittery about the security of their job.

Letter to the Editor

Murphy defends Speaker vote

Dear Editor:

On New Year's Day I stood with 16 of my colleagues in the House of Representatives in support of Representative Byron Rushing for Speaker of the House. Although the effort to restore new leadership in the House failed, I truly believe our group succeeded in bringing to light the need for a more open approach to democracy at the State House.

Byron Rushing is an extremely intelligent, principled and fair individual who would have served with distinction as Speaker of the House. His focus was on the means in which business is completed on Beacon Hill rather than his legislative agenda. The group of representatives who stood with Representative Rushing will continue to ensure that we are heard on matters of importance during the legislative session.

Personally, my vote for Byron Rushing was not ideologically based as Representative Rushing stands to the left of me in terms of our political philosophy. Rather,

my vote was based on the premise that each member of the House should not feel constrained from voting their conscience each time a vote is cast on the House floor. My vote was based on the belief that more members of the House should be empowered to offer substantive assistance on matters of their choosing. My vote was based on the idea that a strict top-down management model is not efficient or healthy in the People's House.

This was not an organized effort to champion a liberal agenda in the House. One colleague criticized this effort by stating, "if given the chance this group would tax us back to the stone age." Such a criticism is a rather simple response and, more than likely, an effort to create a hook to hang his proverbial hat when questioned by constituents on his vote. Ideology had nothing to do with the effort to restore new leadership in the House; process was the motivation and goal. We will continue to pursue that goal regardless of who presides as Speaker.

People continually ask me if I am concerned about retribution from the mighty Tom Finneran for my support of Byron Rushing. My answer is a resounding no. Having grown up in an Irish Catholic family of six kids and after spending four years in the U.S. Marine Corps, I am pretty much prepared for anything. There is absolutely nothing that can be done to me that concerns me a great deal. As I tell people, all one needs to be an effective state representative is a telephone to stay in touch with constituents. In fact, that may be all I have in a few short weeks when committee assignments are made. So be it.

Others voice concerns that my district may somehow suffer as a result of my support of Representative Rushing. Nothing could be further from the truth. I will continue to be as effective an advocate for my communities as I was prior to the vote. I will not shy away from controversy or simply look the other way when I truly believe steps must be taken to change the status quo. My vote in support of a new Speaker of the House and, in essence, in support of a new way of conducting business in the House, was a first step toward fixing what is wrong with the People's House.

I look forward to a House of Representatives where substantive debate is promoted and widespread participation is the norm. I look forward to debating legislation, win or lose, on the House floor and not seeing colleagues who are more concerned with the Speaker's take on their vote rather than the matter at hand. It is time that more representatives are heard on issues, and more importantly, more representatives invite themselves to the table to be heard.

The 17 Representatives who voted for a change in House leadership have effectively invited themselves to the table. Let's eat.

Charles A. Murphy
State Representative
21st Middlesex District
Bedford, Burlington,
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Thomas Arnold

At some point it hit me that I couldn't possibly read all the magazines that were coming to my house. They would pile up, get ahead of me, nag at me.

So some were left in the car to make sure there was always something available to read on the train or in the waiting room or at the beach or the park. Others were kept on the kitchen counter (to flip through while stuck on "hold"), the bathroom, living room, and in summer, on the patio table, under the umbrella, where a good sized rock anchored the pile. Even so, many were half read or not read at all.

When a subscription expires I never renew immediately, hoping that I can wind down and be more realistic about this weakness. Inevitably, though, something new fills that empty space, even if for only one year. Right now, although there are still too many magazines in my mailbox, it feels like I've got a grip on this compulsion.

But there is one magazine throughout the years that I have never dreamed of dropping. For almost 20 years, whether subscribing or going to the newsstand, the UTNE (rhymes with chutney, means "far-out" in Norwegian) has been a part of my life.

Founded by Eric Utne in 1984, UTNE magazine is the Reader's Digest of the alternative press. What UTNE does is look beyond

the mainstream media, sorting through hundreds, maybe thousands of publications, sifting out the best articles, the ones that have been overlooked or ignored because of their unorthodox slant. So by reading UTNE I don't feel the need to subscribe to all those individual magazines that appeal to my particular views and interests. I trust them, the staff, to screen out and pick out the best of what I would want to read in the realm of the raised consciousness.

Social change, environmental issues, the avant-garde, progressive thinking, the flip-side is what the UTNE magazine is all about to me.

Here's a sample:

- Jose Bove and the slow food movement (Bove is the French farmer who hacked down a McDonald's in France.)

- What happened to the spirit of sports

- The power of TALK - "Too busy to chat?"

- Report on the rise of ecological medicine

- Best American public places

In the January/February issue, the cover story entitled, "How to Stop Time, Rip Up Your schedule and Take Back Your Life," will really make you think. As Jay Walljasper writes, "clocks are now ubiquitous, strapped to our wrists, glowing on ovens, VCRs, dash-

boards, computer screens, EVERYWHERE! We've booked ourselves so full of activities there's no time left for magic moments that make us feel most alive."

UTNE doesn't push their viewpoint down your throat. They don't have to. From social problems to politics to art, UTNE has pared down and rooted out and reprinted the most thought-provoking, in-depth facts, opinions and ideas of the non-conforming, independent press. These stories and articles are certain to get your attention and affect the way you see our world. So much of what you will read in UTNE is information that you probably have never come across before, opinions that you have never considered, all of which are presented in a most intriguing, grab-your-attention, style.

In every issue, without fail, I end up cutting out some insightful short story or essay or interview and mailing it off to a friend. Many times these stories lead me to the book or periodical in which they were originally published. One stands out above all the rest: "Selling Manure" by Bonnie Jo Campbell. This has to be the very best, most profound, yet simple little story that I've uncovered in a longtime. I made at least 20 copies and gave it to EVERYONE! It came from a book called "Getting By, Stories of Working Lives." Most

of my friends were given a copy of "Getting By" for Christmas that year. Another article called "Passport to Main Street" hit home so strongly that I ended up subscribing to the magazine where it was first published (There's no hope for me!) and making copies for everyone in my life. I even sent a copy to James Kelly, Boston City Councilor, knowing he could definitely appreciate a story about roots, neighborhood and staying put.

Beyond the articles, I like the UTNE "Weeder," uncommon, refreshing recommended reading and the "Independent Press Awards," a list of the best of the offbeat, the underground and the unfamiliar.

Most of the time I read pretty much every page of every issue of UTNE. I can't put it down. This is not true for any other magazine that I subscribe to. UTNE is not the button-down, the bourgeois every day establishment propaganda piece of paper. It's about awareness, about activism, about saving the planet and finding ourselves. It's about our future. And they have done all the work. All you will need is one magazine in your survival kit. UTNE - how perfectly Nutley.

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Letters to the Editor

DeMoulas should be denied permit

Dear Editor:

I am writing to you regarding a zoning issue in the Town of Tewksbury. I bring this to your attention because the public was led to believe that Article #47 at the May 1995 Town Meeting was nothing more than an "inadvertent printing error" rather than some major zoning changes to the Heavy Industrial zones, in particular the Demoulas warehouse property on East Street. The townspeople were not made aware of these zoning changes before or during Town Meeting and the Article passed by the required 2/3 vote.

Unfortunately, the citizens of Tewksbury did not know about these major zoning changes until 2001 when an abutter to the Demoulas property researched the zoning and determined that the Demoulas parcel was actually rezoned at the 1995 Town Meeting. The 300 foot buffer zone was removed without public hearings or proper notification to the abutters.

The residents moved quickly to prepare a Town Meeting article for the May 2002 Town Meeting to change the zoning of the Demoulas parcel back to the 1975 restriction to include the original 300 foot buffer zone between Demoulas and some of its neighbors. Town Meeting voters approved the rezoning article by the required 2/3 vote.

In the meantime, Demoulas moved quickly to prepare and file an application to the Tewksbury Planning Board for a site plan special permit to double the size of their warehouse and build extensively on the historic 300 foot buffer zone. Demoulas feels it is entitled to a "subdivision freeze" protecting the property from changes in the Zoning Bylaw adopted at the May 2002 Town Meeting because it had already submitted a preliminary and definitive subdivision plan.

Many people in Tewksbury believe the 1995 zoning article was an egregious error of co-mission not

omission. Town meeting voters were obviously misled by the wording of the zoning article. If the abutters had known about this change in the buffer zone on the Demoulas property, the Article would probably not have passed at Town Meeting. Moreover, no one has checked to see if other property owners besides Demoulas benefited by these changes since 1995.

All the people of Tewksbury should be angry about this injustice. It's just one more scar on the back of Tewksbury adding to a long list of questionable actions over the years. Our Town officials, including Town Counsel, have chosen to remain silent and not to investigate how this happened and/or pursue appropriate remedies through the courts, bowing instead to the Demoulas empire.

If Demoulas was such a good corporate citizen of Tewksbury, then they would have continued to honor the contract with its neighbors to maintain the 26-year, 300-

foot buffer zone and avoided this controversy. But as always, Corporate greed got in the way. Now after 12 months of formal hearings and countless surveys and studies of traffic and air and noise quality, the Planning Board is close to making a final decision.

This pending permit to double the size of the warehouse and double the number of tractor/trailer trips using Tewksbury roads is, at a minimum, unconscionable on the merits alone and moreover morally reprehensible on the part of Demoulas in not honoring its longstanding commitment to the neighborhood and the Town. The people of Tewksbury need to weigh in with our Town officials to urge them to deny this permit, as the proposed expansion will seriously impact the quality of life of everyone in Town forever.

Sincerely,
Robert F. Kelley
Tewksbury

Proposed West Street complex would have further negative impact

Dear Editor:

Based upon information presented to the Board of Appeals on December 2, 2002, there seem to be many issues that have not been addressed regarding the proposed West Street Title 40B Housing Project.

Under Title 40B, 25 percent of the housing units must be designated "Low Income." If the total project is 120 units, 30 units would have to be "Low Income." At some point, the figure mentioned was 24 units.

What if this housing project is later sold or under different management? Do all the same constraints and conditions of Title 40B continue to apply?

The site proposed is hardly the place for "quality housing." Placing these housing units in a swamp at the edge of an industrial park with no buffer strip either to the industrial park or to the residential zone to the north would not be permitted under existing by-laws.

For example, the Concord Street industrial park has a 100-foot buffer zone to the Marcus Road properties with 150 foot lot depths. Effectively, this is a 150-foot buffer.

Suncrest Acres has only 100-foot lot depths.

While Title 40B may disregard any consequence to adjacent properties or wetlands, the nature of the swamp area on the south and west sides of Suncrest Acres is an established fact. In most years there is standing water in several places for the entire year. Each additional filling of these wetlands, whether it was Analog Devices or Oxbow Drive, has raised the water level in basements of those homes which were near the original water table in 1965, both in Suncrest Acres and on Hansen Road. This has already had a negative effect on septic system leach fields.

Cutting almost all the existing vegetation to site this housing project, now acting as a noise and heat buffer, and secondarily as a mitigating factor against flooding and pollution, effectively creates a public health problem.

A further question arises regarding the MWRA sewer connection. If the two proposed office buildings on the east side of West Street were not allowed to hook into the sewer, how can a 120-unit housing project be allowed to, with

the much greater amount of water consumed and discharged?

Additional questions raised at the January 6, 2003 Board of Appeals hearing concern the 21e permit regarding pollution remediation on this site, but originating from the AGFA properties at 80-90 Industrial Way. One might question the wisdom of placing residential housing on a "brownfields" site.

People who are proponents of this project and those who approve it should ask themselves two additional questions. Would they want such a project at the edge of their back yard? And would they enjoy living in an apartment complex located in a swamp at the edge of an industrial park?

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...by Stephen Bjork

Here we go once again, heading into a new year without any trailers, previews or coming attractions to guide us. Once again we celebrated on December 31st and toasted to a New Year, and once again we cursed the obligatory New Year's Day Hangover while we took down all of the Christmas decorations.

Yep, it was time to take down the ol' Christmas tree, and none too soon, either. My tree was dropping needles faster than Martha Stewart could unload socks. I wouldn't complain so much if it weren't a fake tree.

Well, I would just like to say for the record: Good riddance to 2002.

What a miserable year 2002 had been for this country. Was it good for anyone?

The absurd fallacy that moral ethics in some way existed in corporate America had been completely shot. I dared not hold a cookout on the 4th of July because I was convinced that one of my guests would invariably contract either the West Nile Virus or some form of an E. Coli Virus. Whatever happened to good old fashioned food poisoning?

The Catholic Church spent the entire year reeling from scandal and a couple of sick and twisted cretins with a sniper rifle were loose in and around the nation's capital for several weeks.

The unemployment rate in Massachusetts reached alarming heights. Half of the people that I know were laid off from their jobs, and the other half never had a job to start with. I'm not real picky about my friends, but that's

not really my point here. My point is this: I hope to good God that 2002 was the bottom.

I am going into 2003 with as much optimism as I can muster, but here we are walking into a New Year with so much hanging over our heads that if we were a coyote in a cartoon, we'd already be crawling out from under the fallen anvil.

One thing is for certain year in and year out. People will make New Year's resolutions and most of those good people will break them before the weekend is out.

The only resolution I have ever kept was the one I made in 1998, at which time I resolved not to make anymore New Year's resolutions. I now enjoy watching other people live up to their resolutions.

My favorites are the smokers. It never fails. Keep your eyes and ears open next December and you too can enjoy this pastime. Listen for it and you will hear one or two smokers talking up their intentions to quit, once and for all, on New Year's Eve.

"That's right (Exhale). This is the year alright (Flicks ashes). I am going to enter 2003 (Pause in sentence for exhale) as a bona fide non-smoker (Lights a new cigarette with the glowing tip of the filter of his last. Discards spent cigarette into ashtray without stubbing it out.) and I'm going to stick to it this time. I got the patch, the gum, these smokeless cigarette things (Long drag on new cigarette.). I'm gonna get in shape too (Exhale, long exhale)."

Nicotine is a terribly addictive drug and I feel truly sorry for smokers who have simply lost

control of their lives due to a momentary lapse in judgment during younger days. I don't condone making sport of all smokers, just the inconsiderate ones. I'm talking about the ones who are visibly upset that smoking is not allowed in hospitals. The ones who smoke cigarettes while pumping their gas. The ones who actually believe that they are getting away with something by holding the burning cigarette down by their leg and cupping it with their hand when they step into an elevator. Surely no one will notice the trail of smoke which slowly and methodically snakes up their arm to form a cloud directly above their head while they feign complete obliviousness to the indignation of everyone else on the crowded elevator.

These people are a lot of fun to watch at the New Year's Eve party, but you will have to look for them. You will have to seek them out, because at no time do they actually enter the dwelling. They spend the entire evening out on the porch with the two other doomed smokers who are also quitting that night. The cold doesn't bother them in the least. After all, this is a big step up from leaning up against the dumpster outside the office everyday. As long as someone comes out periodically to replenish their booze, they will just stand on the porch chain-smoking to their heart's content, all the while talking excitedly with each other about how wonderful life will be without "these damned cigarettes."

Keep your eye on them at around 11:45 when they realize that they have only 15 minutes of heavenly smoking left and still have a full pack of cigarettes in their pocket. In a panic they start smoking 2 and 3 at a time. Hurdled inhaling and exhaling, idle conversation and social interaction has become nothing more than an increasing annoyance. The two other smokers pick up on the cue and follow suit with their own brands. I've always found it interesting that smokers would prefer one brand to another. Generic cigarettes, of course, cost significantly less than name brands. Ah, yes, people who choose generics are truly thrifty smokers. Apparently, these people want the cancer, they just don't want to pay for it.

Somewhere, deep down in the literal fog of second-hand smoke, they take a quick count of their remaining stock and realize that they are not going to make it on time. Moreover, it occurs to them that they may not want to make

it. At 2 minutes to 12 the doomed go their separate ways, each on a mission to find a "friend" who can be entrusted with the leftover smokes.

"Don't give them back to me no matter what I may say," the hapless friend is instructed.

At the stroke of midnight champagne is consumed, lips are kissed, and noisemakers do their thing. Everything is okay for now, but be sure to keep your eye on Smokey; it usually takes about five minutes. He will be right in the middle of a conversation with someone, no doubt receiving hearty praise for his fortitude.

His hands will begin trembling mildly and his face will nearly hide his oncoming panic. He will be restlessly shifting weight from one leg to the other. His hand will make a mad stab into his pocket and come out with 5 or 6 pieces of nicotine gum which he pops quickly into his mouth and begins munching violently, lips smacking and smiling bleakly. Still wrapped up in a panic, he will frantically strip down to the waste and apply several patches to various places on his torso, much to the apprehension of the crowd now gathering.

Nothing is working. Nothing is curing this god-awful craving. "Maybe just one more cigarette," he thinks to himself. After all, it isn't really the New Year until the next morning right? All resolutions are null and void until you wake up on New Year's Day, right?

After a very brief and one-sided fist fight, actually the correct term would be "sucker-punch," Smokey is able to wrestle his leftover cigarettes from his former friend and back out on to the porch he happily marches. He is met with the other two smokers and they are all still planning to wake up the next morning as non-smokers.

On his way home he contemplates the agony of taking down the Christmas tree and all the decorations without the comfort of a lit cigarette and he stops at the Lil' Peach for a fresh pack.

Not to worry, there is always 2005.

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Letters to the Editor

Let's have a fair rendering of a library at the Swain School

Dear Editor:

It has never been easy to take a public stand based on personal belief, especially when you stand in opposition to "experts."

In a recent editorial, this paper lauded our town manager because we have \$9 million dollars of free cash in our treasury. I'm still not entirely sure why we've just had a tax increase in this town, especially when we'll be facing higher fees statewide. I understand Wilmington stands to lose some local aid. The thing is, \$9 million is really a lot of money. That increase is going to make life really difficult for those of us who don't have automatic pay raises, or six figure incomes, or in some cases, incomes at all. For the past few years, as the interest rates have decreased, my mortgage has gone up. But then, I'm not an expert.

Drayton Fair is an expert. He works for Tappe Associates and was hired by the library building committee, of which Town Manager Michael Cairra is a member, to prepare a feasibility study on the best design and location for a new library. The current library wants room to expand and offer more programs. Mr. Fair presented a report based on specific information given to him by Mr. Cairra and Ms. Stewart, Wilmington's library director. The information Mr. Fair was given is that the Swain School was slated to be the site of a new town hall and therefore inappropriate as the site for a new library. Pardon me, but

whose idea was that? There is no documentation, plan or public discussion I am aware of that advocates building a new town hall there. The Swain site has other construction difficulties, but nothing that any building proposed for that property wouldn't have to overcome. It is the perfect place for a new library. And even if it costs a little more to build the library at the Swain than at the Whitefield, think of the money we'd save by renovating the current library into a town hall, instead of building another brand new town hall.

As I said, I'm not an expert. I'm a single parent homeowner who shops with coupons and looks for bargains so I can pay the mortgage, the bills, and the soccer, baseball, basketball and football fees for my son's sports. I get it about being careful with money.

I'm also well-educated. My college degree required me to spend many hours in a library engaged in critical reading, writing and thinking. When I moved back to Wilmington nine years ago the first two things I did were register to vote and apply for a library card. The next thing I did is ask if there was a book discussion group available at the library. There was not, I was told. I asked if there was a list of interested people, called the dozen or so people on the list to see if they were still interested, called to reserve the Shawheen School library for a meeting, called all the people back to invite them to the meeting, borrowed my mother's coffee urn, bought a

lemon poppyseed cake at Market Basket and paper goods at the former Sweetheart Plastics outlet. We met that night along with Ms. Stewart and then Library Director Sarah Reuter. Ms. Stewart and Reuter asked that the book group meet at the library on a Tuesday or Thursday night, because at the time the library was only open until 9:00 on those two nights. We agreed to meet the first Thursday of every month, called ourselves Bookends, and selected Shadow Play by Charles Baxter for our first meeting. We ultimately hated the book, but Bookends has met every month since that time. After about a year or so Ms. Stewart became Library Director and wanted to form a Friends of the Library group. Several members of Bookends not only became chapter members, but joined the Executive Committee. I was the first publicity chairperson and designed, along with Lisa Crispin, the newsletter Bookfriends which is still in use.

That's why I am so puzzled when I read quotes which say the people opposed to the design and location of the proposed library don't want a new library. How absurd. I want the best library. You can imagine how difficult it is for the members of the Friends of the Library who hold an opinion like mine.

It's not easy to make a stand, especially when the town marshals its resources in defense of its position. Town Hall, the library, the Friends of the Library and WCTV spent a lot of time, money and paper in this effort. Luckily, I found other individuals who thought like me about the library, at least to a point, and we changed ideas. We don't all agree on some of the particulars but that's okay. We're not a board or committee that nods in agreement at every little thing like a row of grinning bobbleheads.

On January 15th there'll be another public meeting to discuss the library. It will be the same presentation Mr. Fair has given three times before. It's a good presentation, though the premise of the Swain site is flawed and, as Mr. Fair has stated "all the sites are feasible." Next April we may see the return of the warrant article asking for \$550,000 for a detailed library design. Right now the town is pretty evenly divided and moves one way or another by only a handful of votes. Should that pass, the town must then come forward next time with a warrant for a 2/3 override of Proposition 2 for construction costs. And what will happen then?

I'd like to see a fair rendering of a library at the Swain site which incorporates the Swain. I think it would be glorious. But whatever we decide we should decide it as a town united, no matter how long it takes. The banks will always do business with us. We have \$9 million dollars.

Debra Russo
Wilmington

6 questions for library debate

Dear Sagal:

Many people are talking about the proposed library project. While some people are clearly considering a \$9 Million library at the Whitefield School a project worthy of their support, others have been asking questions. The other night I was speaking with others, and we started asking each other some of the following questions. After a while, we realized that we were asking the wrong people. The real questions need to be asked of both the rest of the townspeople and also the people in the management of the town of Wilmington.

With the library meeting coming up on January 15, the following questions become more important. It is time for some answers to these questions:

1. Can we afford the current \$9 million proposal as it stands today?
2. Is the current proposal reflective of the correct direction we want the town to be going?
3. Why can't we expand and improve the current facility?
4. Should we finance this project by borrowing money, or from the

current \$9.2 million tax surplus?

5. Have your expressed concerns and those of your neighbors been addressed by the town?

6. Considering the current fiscal climate of the economy, why is the town not offering an alternative proposal, which is more responsive to available resources?

The problem thus far has not been the questions, but rather the answers. We have been told the same flawed information several times. It seems that whenever the town has an information-gathering meeting, it turns into another opportunity for the townspeople to be offered another copy of the same rhetoric.

There are many of us that have concerns that need to be addressed by the town before any proposal can go forward. I, for one, would like to hear from people, and hear what their concerns and issues are. I can be reached by email at KarlSagal@AOL.com.

I hope to see you at the Middle School on January 15th!

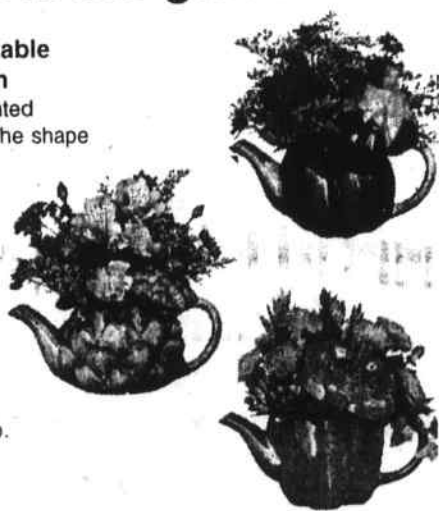
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WCTV is looking for people who would be willing to volunteer their time and tape Wilmington high School Winter Sports. The commitment depends solely on you. Would you like to try one game? That's great. Two games? Even better. More than two? There are no limits! Right now we need coverage of Girl's Basketball, Boy's and Girl's Hockey, Track and Wrestling. Whether you are a teenager trying to gain experience in the world of film/tv or an adult who

just enjoys sports, this is a fantastic opportunity to learn as well as have fun.

Everyone is welcome! No experience necessary. We will provide the training and support you need to get going. WCTV will work with your schedule and match you up with the appropriate game (or games) that fit into your free time. Please consider volunteering some time to WCTV, Wilmington High School and your Wilmington community.

If interested, please call Jessica Jacques, Youth Outreach Coordinator, at 657-4066 or email her at wctvjessica@hotmail.com.

Let's bring Wilmington High School action home to everyone!



FROSTY AND FRIENDS. There's a new guy in town, and he has found his home on Cushing Drive in Wilmington ... until the warmer weather comes along, that is. Last weekend, a group of local kids "made" a friend and gave him Easter eggs for eyes and a turnip for a nose. In the front row, from left to right, you have Ashley Gillis, Hillary Mahoney and Eric Antico. Behind them, from left to right, are Danielle Blais, Ashley Antico, Melissa Mahoney and Aaron Blais. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

WHS announces the 2003 McKeown Scholars Program

WILMINGTON - Wilmington High School has announced the 2003 McKeown Scholars Program. Two \$5000.00 scholarships will be awarded to two Wilmington resident high school students. Eligible students must be planning to attend a fully accredited four year college or university and be ranked within the top 20 percent of their senior class.

1. Applications will be available at the WHS Guidance Office January 22, 2003. Please call Kelly Glynn, Director of Guidance at

694-6068 for more information.

2. Applications must be submitted to the Guidance Office by Friday, February 7. (Applicants who do not attend WHS must have their applications certified at their respective schools and then submitted to WHS.)

3. On March 14, participants will be given a one hour written essay during school hours. Finalists will be chosen and will be asked to participate in a personal interview with WHS staff.

The Pines to host bake sale

TEWKSBURY - The Pines of Tewksbury will host a bake sale Tuesday, January 28 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pines, 2580 Main Street, Tewksbury.

People of all ages are invited. Proceeds will benefit the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Glaucoma presentation at The Pines

TEWKSBURY - The Pines will host a presentation on glaucoma by Valerie Green, RN of Overlook Home Health.

The event is scheduled for 1 p.m. Friday, January 31 at the Pines, 2580 Main Street, Tewksbury.

All those interested are invited to be on hand. The seminar is intended to enlighten people on glaucoma process, signs, symptoms and management.

Wilmington Boosters scholarship dance

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington Boosters Scholarship Dance is scheduled for Saturday, January 25, 7 p.m. to midnight at K&C Hall on School Street.

The evening at \$40 per couple will include an Italian buffet. For tickets or to make a donation please call Noreen Bruno at 978-658-7143 or Maria DeSimone at 978-658-7637.

R.A.D. self defense program

for women set to begin

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington Police Department has announced dates for upcoming Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) training to be held in the Town of Wilmington. This training will take place at the Wilmington Public Safety Building. The dates for this training will be for four hour classes held from 6 to 10 p.m. on the following dates:

Monday, January 20
Wednesday, January 22
Monday, January 27
Wednesday, January 29.

All classes must be attended for participant to receive a certificate. The R.A.D. program is a self defense program for women and children that provides hands on training, but also provides discussion addressing risk reduction and avoidance and crime prevention. The R.A.D. training is a comprehensive class taught in a relaxed atmosphere by Wilmington Police Personnel.

For an application, you may pick one up at the police station, 1 Adelaide Street or call 978-658-5071 and have one faxed to you. You may also download an application at our website located at www.wpd.org. Any questions may be directed to Officer Steven LaRivee, Officer Brian Moon, Officer Butch Alpers or Officer Julie Lambert.



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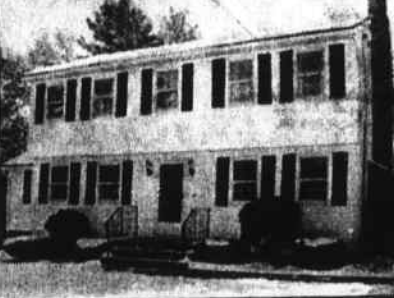
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Wilmington Police Log

Friday, December 27
Philip Chiumiento, 50, of Woburn, was arrested and charged with failing to appear for jury duty.

Saturday, December 28
A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Clark Street.

Sunday, December 29
A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Woburn Street.

Police responded to a report of a disturbance on Avalon Drive.

A resident on Burnap Street allegedly fired a shotgun into the air three times, in an attempt to scare away a stray dog. Wilmington police reportedly confiscated the firearm.

An assault and battery reportedly occurred at TJ Maxx when Jared Oravec, 22, of Billerica, allegedly entered the store and struck a female in the face with his fist. Oravec was arrested and charged with domestic assault and battery and threatening to commit a crime.

Donna Bolognese, 47, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Monday, December 30

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Salem Street.

Beer bottles were reportedly maliciously thrown through the windshield of a vehicle that was parked on Beeching Avenue.

Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Cunningham Street.

A residence on Church Street was reportedly burglarized.

The windshield of a vehicle that was parked at a business on Main Street was reportedly smashed in an act of malicious damage.

Tuesday, December 31

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Salem Street.

Linda Digiorgio, 40, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle after the revocation of her driver's license.

Wednesday, January 1
A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Concord Street.

A vehicle was reportedly maliciously damaged while it was parked at Wilmington Plaza.

Police responded to a report of a youth on Blanchard Street who was allegedly setting off fireworks at a neighbor's house. The youth cleaned up the debris at the instruction of Wilmington police.

Daniel Rooney, 35, of Andover, was arrested and charged with his second offense of operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Janet Hand, 21, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Misy Duarte, 28, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with domestic assault and battery.

Thursday, January 2

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Church Street and Lowell Street.

Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Carmel Street.

John Ferreira, 27, of Wilmington, was arrested on a warrant.

Friday, January 3
Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on West Street,

Aldrich Road and Forest Street.

A mailbox at a residence on Grove Avenue was reportedly maliciously damaged.

Three suspects reportedly committed larceny at Colonial Liquors on Main Street, when they allegedly walked out of the store without paying for three cases of beer.

Donald Anderson, 58, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Saturday, January 4

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Hillside Way.

Police responded to a dispute between neighbors on Veranda Avenue.

Sunday, January 5

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Faulkner Avenue and Main Street.

Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Pouliot Place.

Eugene Walls, 48, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with assault and battery.

Tewksbury Police Log

Saturday, December 28

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Main Street.

The rear windows of vehicles that were parked on Foster Road, Erlin Terrace, and Astle Street were reportedly broken in acts of malicious damage.

Sunday, December 29

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Livingston Street.

The bay window at a residence on Forest Street was reportedly maliciously damaged.

Monday, December 30

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Colonial Drive.

The rear windows of vehicles that were parked on Rogers Street, North Billerica Road, Trull Road, Lancaster Drive, North Street, Pinnacle Street and North Street were reportedly broken in acts of malicious damage.

Police responded to the report of a disturbance on Main Street.

A domestic disturbance reportedly occurred on Virginia Road.

Tuesday, December 31

Police responded to a report of youths allegedly consuming alcohol on Rogers Street.

Wednesday, January 1

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on James Avenue.

Police responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence on South Street.

An attempted larceny reportedly occurred at Home Depot on Main Street.

An assault and battery reportedly occurred at Stadium Plaza on

Main Street.

Police responded to a report of a disturbance at the Caswell Motel on Main Street.

Thomas Carbone, 31, of Billerica, was arrested and charged with receiving stolen property and committing larceny of items totaling more than \$250.

Jose Lopez, 23, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with domestic assault and battery.

Brian Nasco, 18, of Billerica, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle after the suspension of his driver's license.

James Zimmerman, Jr., 32, of Haverhill, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle after the revocation of his driver's license, failing to stop for police, and operating an uninsured, unregistered vehicle.

Steven Stella, 19, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with the illegal possession of Class D and Class E substances.

Thursday, January 2

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Main Street, Whipple Road, Andover Street, and Chapman Road.

The windows of a garage at a residence on Lancaster Drive were reportedly broken in an act of malicious damage.

One of the windows of a van that was parked on North Billerica Road was reportedly broken in an act of malicious damage.

Steven Connors, 26, of Revere, was arrested on a court warrant and charged with being a fugitive from justice.

Friday, January 3

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Chapman Road and Sunnyslope Avenue.

The windshield of a moving vehicle was reportedly smashed by an "iceball" that had been thrown.

A vehicle was reported stolen from Ames Pond Road.

An attempted robbery was reported by an employee of Mobil on Main Street. The suspect allegedly fled when a customer approached.

Thol Kim, 20, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with the unlicensed operation of a vehicle.

Julie Almeida, 35, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with armed robbery.

Daniel MacKinnon, 41, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with armed robbery.

Saturday, January 4

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on South Street and Main Street.

Several blank checks were reportedly stolen from the checkbook of a resident on Adams Street.

Michael Malta, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with assault and battery.

Sunday, January 5

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Main Street.

Cash and merchandise were reportedly stolen during an overnight burglary at a service station on Main Street.

Gerard Buckley, 46, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

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BOSTON - State Senator Sue Tucker announced this week the telephone number and web address for the state's new telemarketing law which allows consumers to reduce the number of telemarketing calls they receive by signing up on the Do Not Call Registry, effective January 1, 2003.

Senator Tucker said residents can sign up for the Do Not Call Registry in two ways:

1) Register on line at www.Mass.gov/donotcall. The website may be accessed 24 hours a day, seven days a week; or

2) Call toll free (866) 231-CALL (2255). This automated system is also available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Senator Tucker said consumers will have until March 1 to register for the first list, which will go into effect April 1. Administered by the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, the list is free and is available for all Massachusetts residents.

"I've listened to many com-

plaints from people about excessive telemarketing calls," Senator Tucker said. "For those residents wishing to avoid these calls, I encourage them to sign up on the Do Not Call Registry."

According to Senator Tucker, registration is easy and can be accomplished in a very short amount of time. The Do Not Call Registry will be updated and provided to subscribing telemarketers on a quarterly basis (January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1). Each updated list will add the names of any consumers who sign up since the last list was published. After each sign up period, telemarketing solicitors will have several weeks to remove numbers from their lists. The following chart shows when unsolicited sales must stop:

Consumers sign up between January 1 and March 1; sales calls must stop April 1.

Sign up March 2 through June 1; sales calls must stop July 1.

Sign up June 2 through Septem-

ber 1, sales calls must stop October 1.

Sign up September 2, December 1; sales calls must stop January 1.

Senator Tucker said the new protection under the law for consumers include: unsolicited sales calls may not be made to consumers who sign up on the Do Not Call Registry after the effective date of their registration; soliciting telephone calls cannot be made to any Massachusetts consumer (even those who are not on the registry) between 8 p.m. and 8 a.m.; telephone solicitations using recorded message devices cannot be made at any time; telemarketers cannot use devices to block their identity from the consumer; and telemarketers must disclose, within the first minute of the sales call, identifying information, including the sales purpose of the call, the name of the telemarketer and the name of the ultimate seller, and an accurate and complete description of the goods and services being offered.



FUTURE FIREFIGHTERS? In mid-December, Daisy Girl Scout Troop 1026 presented toys to the Wilmington Fire Department for the local holiday gift drive that it held throughout the season. Front row, from left to right: Michelle Murray; Daisy leader Diane Harvey; Daisy Leader Jane Ceres; and Daisy Parent Volunteer Kelly Doucette. Middle row, from left to right: Kristina Nicoli; Michaela Oulette; Allison Cain; Caroline Johnston; Rael Reyes; Brianna Perrino; Alise LaMonthe; Beth Dullea; Victoria Ferreria; and Jillian Doyle. Back row, from left to right: Firefighter Tom Ceres; Michelle Doucette; Victoria Reidy; Emma Ceres; Elizabeth Harvey; and Firefighter Richard Hughes. Missing from the photo is Katie McNeil. (courtesy photo)

School Lunch Menus

Wilmington Schools Week of January 13

Elementary

Monday: "School Made" soup with saltines, grilled cheese sandwich, carrot and celery sticks with low fat dip, chilled fruit, milk/juice, popcorn.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, mashed potato, seasoned green beans, dinner roll, chilled fruit, milk/juice, Jello with topping.

Wednesday: Yogurt, funnel cake, fresh vegetables with dip, cheese cubes, chilled fruit, milk/juice, cookie.

Thursday: Loaded nachos (nacho chips, cheese sauce, tomato, lettuce, salsa and ground beef), seasoned rice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Shawshen and Woburn SE, Italian style pizza, pepperoni optional; North and West, pizza bagel, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Extended Daycare

Boutwell & Wildwood

Monday: Breakfast for lunch, assorted cereals, turkey strips, carrot and celery sticks, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese,

seasoned carrots, dinner roll, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Wednesday: Hamburger or cheeseburger on a roll, oven French fries, chilled fruit, milk/juice, "School Made" chocolate chip cookies.

Thursday: Loaded nachos, nacho chips, cheese sauce, tomato, lettuce, salsa and ground beef, seasoned rice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Italian style pizza, pepperoni optional, cucumber and carrot circles, cheese cubes, graham crackers, milk/juice, ice cream.

Middle School

Monday: Cheeseburger bites, French fries, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Tuesday: Teriyaki chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, whipped potato, seasoned corn, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday: Mozzarella sticks, marinara sauce, French fries, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, snack cake.

Thursday: chicken fajitas (two) (Tortilla shell, pepper, onion, salsa, chicken), fluffy rice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Sal's pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

High School

Monday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Cafeteria opens 7:15 a.m. for breakfast: bagels, Danish, juice, etc. Cafeteria opens 9 a.m. for snack, pizza, fries, etc.

Wednesday: Cafeteria opens 7:15 a.m. for breakfast, bagels, Danish, juice, etc. Cafeteria opens 9 a.m. for snack, pizza, fries, etc.

Thursday: Cafeteria opens 7:15 a.m. for breakfast, bagels, Danish, juice, etc. Cafeteria opens 9 a.m. for snack, pizza, fries, etc.

Friday: Cafeteria opens 7:15 a.m. for breakfast, bagels, Danish, juice, etc. Cafeteria opens 9 a.m. for snack, pizza, fries, etc.

Tewksbury Schools Week of January 13

Monday: Juice or fruit, baconburger on a roll with lettuce and tomato, choice of vegetables, milk, apple slice with cinnamon.

Tuesday: Winnie the Pooh birthday, oven shaved steak and cheese sub with peppers and onions, corn niblets, milk, Winnie the Pooh cookie.

Wednesday: Spaghetti with tomato and beef sauce, salad or veg-

etables, homemade bread and butter, milk, chocolate cake.

Thursday: Tomato and rice soup, sliced ham and cheese sub with sub mix or tomato and lettuce, chips, milk, ice cream.

Friday: Chilled fruit, homemade Italian style tomato and cheese pizza with pepperoni, if desired, garden salad, milk.

Alternate: Available daily, choice of assorted sandwiches, carrot and celery sticks and milk.

Shawshen Tech Week of January 13

Line 1

Monday: Cheeseburger macaroni bake, green beans, hot rolls, milk, fresh and canned fruit.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets buffalo style, mashed potatoes, carrots, hot rolls, milk, fresh and canned fruit.

Wednesday: Lasagna with meat sauce, broccoli, garlic bread, fresh and canned fruit, milk, baked dessert.

Thursday: Chicken fajitas, Mexican rice, corn bread, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Friday: Italian style pizza (cheese or pepperoni), tossed salad, breadstick, fresh and canned fruit, ice cream treat, milk.

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

New Teen Comics Club Starts

WILMINGTON - The first meeting of the new Teen Comics Club will be held Monday, January 13 at 7 p.m. Do you read comic books and cartoons? Are you into Anime, Manga or graphic novels? Join Teen Services Librarian Nathalie Demers and other teens to discuss and share your favorite comic books!

Check out the following new graphic novels in the Teen Section: Buffy the Vampire Slayer: The Origin and Bone: Out from Bonneville, Volume 1.

Learning Language Preschool Open House

An Open House for preschoolers and their caregivers will be held on Thursday, January 16 from 10 to 11 a.m. Drop-in and meet informally with speech-language pathologist Margaret Peabody. Talk about how young children learn speech and communication. Activities for preschoolers will be provided by the Children's Department.

More upcoming events for children

The Neverending Story by Michael Ende was chosen by kids for discussion to be held Friday, January 10 at 3:30 p.m.

"Hat Day" Story/Crafts

A story and craft program featuring hats will be presented to children ages five and up on Wednesday, January 15 at 3:30 p.m. Wear your funniest hat! Please register to attend by visiting or calling the Children's Room at 978-694-2098.

Book Discussion for 2nd and 3rd Graders

The Littles by John Peterson will be discussed by children in grades two and three on Friday, January 17 at 3:30 p.m.

Bookends, the library's book

discussion group, meets the first Thursday of the month. The book selected for February is Saving Milly by Morton Kondracke. Copies are available at the library's main circulation desk. If you enjoy reading and a lively discussion of books and ideas, the next meeting of Bookends is Thursday, February 6 at 7 p.m. in the library conference room.

Public meeting question

Comments about the plans for including a Cyber Cafe in the proposed library came up at the public meeting.

Answer

Offering a place to have a cup of coffee is a trend in libraries that are responding to a need to provide a welcoming ambience. In reviewing the Library Building Program during the feasibility study, the library staff and the architect discussed this idea. Library staff agreed that more and more people come into the library with a cup of coffee or bottle of water and that having a designated area for patrons to drink coffee would be desirable in a new library. In order to conserve on space, it was decided to incorporate a coffee area within the "Technology Room" (a room for computer training and possible after hours Internet access). Thus the space was labeled "Cyber Cafe." Whether or not this space is ultimately used as a place to have coffee is yet to be determined. Since the space is flexible and is located in the lobby area of the library, it can be used for a variety of purposes.

Next public meeting

The next public meeting regarding the proposed library is scheduled for Wednesday, January 15 at 7 p.m. at the Wilmington Middle School.

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VNA Care Network's hospice program needs volunteers in eastern Mass. Training, supervision and support provided. Call 617-547-2620 ext. 3471.

Having a hard time: Feeding your family? Call Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Goodwill Industries of Merrimack Valley is seeking donations for its Mass., N.H. stores. Call 866-453-0351.

LaLeche League of Wilmington meets at Winchester Hospital Family Medical Center, 500 Salem St. on the second Friday of each month starting at 10 a.m. Call 978-657-8301.

Second Thurs: of each month, 8 p.m., Wil. Minutemen Company meet at Headquarters, at the rear of Harnden Tavern, Woburn Street, near the corner of Rt. 62 in No. Wilmington. Meetings are open to any man or woman interested in local history.

All day, every day: Free blood pressure clinic at Wilmington Fire Station; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., weekends included. No appointment necessary.

Tues., Thurs: Evenings at 7 and Friday at 10 a.m., Internet classes at Wil. Mem. Library. Call 658-2967.

Thursday evenings: Merrimack Valley Chorus open rehearsals/auditions, 7:30 p.m., Wil. Arts Council, Rte. 62. Call 978-851-7764; www.merrimackvalleychorus.com

LaLeche League Of Wilmington is a non-profit organization offering breast-feeding support and information through monthly meetings open to pregnant and nursing mothers from Wilmington and surrounding towns. Meetings are held at Winchester Hospital Family Medical Center, 500 Salem St., Wilmington, the second Friday of each month starting at 10 a.m. Call 978-694-1012.

Computer basics: One hour classes at Wil. Mem. Lib; 7 p.m. Thursdays. Call 978-694-2099.

Big Brother/Big Sister is running a car campaign to support their mentoring programs. Prospective donors need to know that only those who itemize their taxes

may take the fair market value as a contribution. Determining the value of the car is completely up to the donor, therefore, Big Brother/Big Sisters will not give a value. Call 1-800-859-6526.

St. Elizabeth Chapel: At the corner of Forest Street and Aldrich Road, offers a monthly healing service. Call 978-658-2487.

Fri., Jan. 10: and each 2nd Friday at 10 a.m., LaLeche League of Wil. meets at Health Center, 500 Salem St., Wil. Call 978-694-1073. Women of surrounding towns welcome.

Fri., Jan. 10: 3:30 p.m., Book Discussion of "The Never Ending Story" at Wil. Mem. Lib.

Mon., Jan. 13: 7 p.m., Teen Comics Club at Wil. Mem. Lib.

Wed., Jan. 15: 7 p.m. at Wil. Middle School, public meeting to discuss the Library Feasibility study.

Wed., Jan. 15: 7 p.m., Strings Attached Parent Support (SAPS) meeting at United Methodist Church, 87 Church Street.

Wed., Jan. 15: 7 p.m., public meeting regarding proposed library to be held at Wil. Middle School.

Thurs., Jan. 16: 10 to 11 a.m., Learning Language Preschool Open House at Wil. Mem. Lib.

Mon., Jan. 20: 6 to 10 p.m., Rape Aggression Defense training at Wil. Pub. Safety Bldg. Call 978-658-5071.

Wed., Jan. 22: 6 to 10 p.m., Rape Aggression Defense training at Wil. Pub. Safety Bldg. Call 978-658-5071.

Sat., Jan. 25: 7 p.m. to midnight, Wilmington Boosters Scholarship Dance at K of C Hall. Call 978-658-7143 or 978-658-7637 for tickets or to make a donation.

Mon., Jan. 27: 6 to 10 p.m., Rape Aggression Defense training at Wil. Pub. Safety Bldg. Call 978-658-5071.

Wed., Jan. 29: Applications available at WHS Guidance Office for McKeown Scholars Program.

Fri., Feb. 7: Last day to submit application for McKeown Scholars Program at WHS Guidance Office.

Fri., March 14: Participants in McKeown Scholars Program will be given a one hour written essay during school hours.

March 24-28: American Cancer Society's Daffodil Days. Volunteers needed. Call 1-800-ACS-2345.

Area Datebook

Essex River Cruises and Charters are offered from the Essex Marina at 10:30 a.m., 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 and 7 p.m. May through October. Call 978-786-6981 for info and reservations.

Grandparents as Parents: HealthSouth St., Joseph Healthcare Center, 220 Pawtucket St., Lowell, 7 to 8:30 p.m. second Tues., of the month. Call 978-459-3242.

Fourth Mon. of the month 10-11:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, No. Chelmsford; Grandparents as parents. Call 978-459-3242.

Congregation Shalom, a Reform Congregation located in Chelmsford is offering open registration for their pre-school for three and four-year-olds. The classes meet once a month for an hour on Sundays. A parent or guardian is required to accompany their child. The cost is \$100 for non-members. Call Stacy Garnick at 978-251-8091 for further information.

Greater Lowell Family YMCA has openings in their Preschool Program. Call 978-454-7825 ext. 23.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Massachusetts are expanding their car campaign to include boats. The car campaign throughout Massachusetts has proven to be a great success. Those who have unwanted boats to donate may receive a valuable tax deduction on their income tax. All boats are subject to the approval of a broker and must be fiberglass, seaworthy, and in marketable condition. Proceeds will benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs.

If future plans include a new boat, a bigger boat, or no boat at all. The Boys & Girls Clubs would like to hear from you. Please call 1-800-246-0493.

The Billerica Boys and Girls Club will be accepting registration for all winter swim programs. Class size is limited. Call 978-667-2193.

LaLeche League of Billerica offers monthly support meetings for pregnant and nursing mothers. Call 978-670-1309.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving in Mass. is conducting a car campaign to support their program. Call 1-800-720-6233 for information.

Skin Screenings: Skin cancer is the most common cancer, but most forms are easily treated if detected early. Lahey's Dept. of Dermatology offers free skin screenings for the public, by appointment only. Call 781-744-8979.

Adoption Support: Group Fourth Sunday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. at 19 Campbell Road, Billerica. Call 978-667-3282.

Each Wednesday: The Northshoremen A Cappella chorus needs men who like to sing. The

chorus meets each Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Italian Community Center, 307 Rantoul St., Beverly. Call 978-927-7894.

LaLeche League of Billerica offers monthly support meetings for pregnant and nursing mothers. Call accredited leaders at 978-256-2967; 978-256-4804 or 978-749-0645.

Sacred Choral Artists: a 40 member choral ensemble celebrating the beauty and artistry of sacred music, is seeking new members. All parts welcome to audition. Rehearsals Monday evenings in Haverhill. Call 781-665-9245; www.sacredchoralartists.org.

Mother to Mother: is accepting dues for the 2003 year. This is a non-profit support group for parents and their children from Burlington and surrounding towns. Call Mary at 781-238-8267.

Having a hard time: Feeding your family? Call Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Fourth Mon. of each month, Adoptive support group for pre and post adoptive families at Billerica Boys & Girls Club, 19 Campbell Rd., Billerica. Call 978-667-3282.

Tuesdays: 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., seniors 55 and older full course meals and periodic health awareness programs at Lahey Clinic Medical Center's cafeteria. Call 781-744-3414.

Every Sunday: Brunch, all you can eat buffet at No. Reading Moose Lodge, 140 North Street. Call 978-664-8561.

Mon-Fri: Lowell Association for the blind needs volunteers who can join the LBS Talking Information Center Radio Reading Service to read and record news. Call 978-454-5704 Mon-Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mon & Wed., 9 to 10 a.m., Lowell Boys Club offers water aerobics. Call 458-4526.

Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs: 7 to 9 p.m., Childbirth classes at Winchester Hospital. Call 781-756-4700.

Thursday evenings: Merrimack Valley Chorus open rehearsals/auditions, 7:30 p.m., Wil. Arts Council, Rte. 62. Call 978-851-7764; www.merrimackvalleychorus.com

For information: regarding Winchester Hospital's Senior Health Partnership's Walking Program for seniors, call 781-756-4774.

Grandparents as parents: Second Tuesday, fourth Monday of each month. Tues., 7-8:30 p.m. at Sts. Mem. Hosp., Lowell cafe; Mon., 10 to 11:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, Chelmsford. Call 978-459-3242 for details.

VNA Care Network offers stop smoking course

DANVERS - VNA Care Network, a nonprofit Visiting Nurse Association, will offer last Smoke, a six week stop smoking course, beginning the week of January 13 in the following communities:

*Andover, location to be announced, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 16 to Feb. 20

*Cambridge, 186 Alewife Brook Parkway, 6 to 7:30 p.m., dates to be announced

*Danvers, 5 Federal St., 6 to 7:30 p.m., Thursdays, Jan. 16 to Feb. 20

*Gloucester, 8 Angle St., 6 to 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays Jan. 14 to Feb. 18

*Hanover, 197 Rockland St., 6 to 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Jan. 15 to Feb. 19

*Haverhill, 25D Washington Square, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Jan. 15 to Feb. 19

*Jamaica Plain, location and dates to be announced

*Newburyport, location to be announced, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 15 to Feb. 19

*Salem, 47 Congress St., 6 to 7:30 p.m., Thursdays, Jan. 16 to Feb. 20

*Worcester, 120 Thomas St., 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 16 to Feb. 20

The cost of the entire course is \$120 (\$20/week). Health insurance may cover all or part of the class fee. Scholarship funds may be available. Participants may purchase the book Yes, You Can Stop Smoking Even If You Don't Want to for \$10 as well as nicotine patches, gum and lozenges at a discount. Preregistration required. Contact Joan Schaefer at 888-663-3688, ext. 2429 or jschaefer@vnacarenetwork.org. More information about the course is available at www.vnacarenetwork.org.

Guidelines for letters to the editor

1) Brevity is key. Letters containing 250 words or less will have a better chance of being published. Letters containing more than 250 words may be subjected to editing and may risk not being published at all.

2) A letter to the editor must be handed in to the Town Crier by 5 p.m. on Monday if it is the hope of the writer that it will appear in that week's edition of the paper.

3) A signed letter is more likely to be published than one in which the writer has requested that his or her name be withheld. Unsigned letters will not be published. Currently, American men and women are fighting overseas to protect your right to your opinion. Be courageous and proud in expressing it.

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Wilmington Seniors
Week of January 13

Monday: Chicken pot pie, creamy mashed potato, seasoned broccoli, chilled appleslices, multi-grain bread, milk, cookie.

Tuesday: Oven baked ham dinner with pineapple, scalloped po-

tato, seasoned peas, oatmeal bread, milk, Jello with topping.

Wednesday: Breaded chicken, whipped sweet potato, seasoned green beans, cranberry sauce, dinner roll, milk, cake with frosting.

Thursday: N.Y. Strip steak, potato rounds, seasoned cauliflower, chilled pineapple, lite rye bread, milk, rice pudding.

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Chief Nally raises red flag regarding identity theft

WILMINGTON - Recent news events have brought to light how easy it is for unscrupulous hackers to steal our identities and ruin our financial lives. Just last month, federal authorities said they cracked a ring responsible for the largest case of identity theft in U.S. history.

"With a few keystrokes, 30,000 people's identities, bank accounts and credit profiles were savaged," said Chief Bernard Nally. A software company employee is charged with stealing access codes and passwords for 30,000 people whose bank accounts were drained, while credit card accounts were opened in their names and used to buy merchandise and establish lines of credit.

Law Enforcement officials say the losses so far total \$2.7 million, and they expect that figure to grow. These people are left on their own to straighten out their affairs and restore their financial standing in the community," says Chief Nally. "It can take years." Chief Nally urged all consumers to protect

themselves against identity theft.

Privacy in an Electronic Age

But realistically, what can the average consumer do? "The truth is, you can't prevent identity theft from occurring," says Chief Nally. "But here's what you can do to minimize your chance of becoming a victim." He cites the guidelines set out by the Federal Trade Commission and Identity Theft Resource Center.

*Check your credit reports once a year from all three of the credit reporting agencies: TransUnion (800-888-4213, www.transunion.com), Experian (888-397-3742, www.experian.com) and Equifax (800-685-1111, www.equifax.com)

*Don't put your Social Security Number or your driver's license number on your checks.

*Watch for people who seem to be eavesdropping on information you give out orally.

*Set up passwords for your credit card, bank and phone accounts.

*Secure personal information

in your house, especially if you have roommates, employ outside help or have service work done at home.

*Deposit outgoing mail in post office collection boxes or at your local post office, rather than in an unsecured mailbox.

*Try not to store financial information on your laptop computer. If you do, use a strong password - a combination of letters, numbers and symbols. Don't use the automatic login feature that saves your user name and password so you don't have to enter them each time you log in or visit a website. That way, if your laptop is stolen, it's harder for the thief to access your personal information.

Interestingly, the motto for the information Awareness Office is Scientia Est Potentia, or Knowledge is Power. "When it comes to preventing identity theft," concludes Chief Nally, "The only way to maintain power over your financial information is by limiting other people's knowledge of and access to it."

McMahon named to Phillips Academy honor roll

WILMINGTON - Michael McMahon of Wilmington, has been named to the honor roll for the fall term at Phillips Academy in Andover. To be named to the honor roll, students must maintain at least a five point average on a six point scale.

Michael is the son of Paul and Sheila McMahon.

Phillips Academy, better known as Andover, is a coeducational independent boarding high school of 1,079 students, known for its extensive and rigorous academic program and the diversity of its student body. Located 21 miles north of Boston, the academy was founded in 1778.

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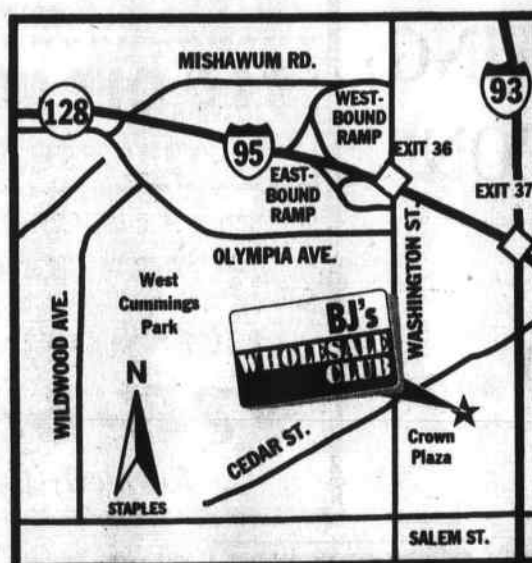
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Obituaries

Theresa A. DiPasquale

Formerly employed by Harvard University and
Wilmington school cafeteria

WILMINGTON - Theresa A. (Caruso) DiPasquale, 86 of Wilmington, died December 30 at the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Boston.

Born in Boston, she was a daughter of the late John and the late Filomena (Lombardi) Caruso. She lived in Wilmington for many years and prior to retirement, was employed by Harvard University and the Wilmington School System as a server in the cafeteria.

Mrs. DiPasquale was the widow of Joseph J. DiPasquale, and is survived by her daughters Phyllis Morlani and her husband Anthony and Cecelia DeSimone and her husband Anthony all of North Reading; Diane Freedman of Medford, and Mary Messina and her hus-

band Michael of Wilmington; her brother Anthony Caruso and his wife Mary of Somerville; her sister-in-law Jean Caruso of Arlington; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington Thursday morning at 9:45 followed by a funeral mass at St. Theresa's Church, 63 Winter St. (Rt. 62) North Reading at 11. Interment took place in the family lot Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Memorials in her name may be made to the Italian Home for Children, 1125 Centre St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-9907 or St. Joseph's Indian School for Children, Chamberlain, SD 57326.

Helen B. McAskill

Owned Real Estate Agency in Tewksbury; 75

TEWKSBURY - Helen B. (Lisavich) McAskill, age 75, died Friday, Jan. 3, 2003, at her home, surrounded by her family and friends, after a lengthy battle with cancer. She was the wife of the late Paul J. McAskill, who died in July 1989.

She was born in Hazelton, PA, the daughter of the late Mary and Walter Lisavich. She was raised in Pennsylvania, but had resided in Tewksbury since 1959.

She was the founder and owner of the Helen McAskill Real Estate for more than 25 years. She closed the agency upon retirement 5 years ago. During her career, she was a member of the Greater Lowell Real Estate Association. In her earlier years she had also owned the McAskill Gift Shop on Merrimack Street in Lowell.

She was an accomplished tennis player throughout her life. She was also active in town affairs, as the spouse of Paul McAskill, who served on numerous town boards and building committees. The Senior Drop-In Center building in Tewksbury was named in his honor.

Mrs. McAskill was a communicant of St. William's Church.

She is survived by a son, Paul J. McAskill Jr. of Jacksonville, Fla., one daughter, Pam McAskill of Tewksbury, one sister Irene Riberdy of Andover, one granddaughter, Susie McAskill of

Tewksbury, and numerous dear friends throughout the Merrimack Valley.



Her funeral was Monday at 9:00 a.m. from the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851 2950. Funeral Mass Monday at 10:00 a.m. in St. William's Church, 1351 Main St. (Rte 38) Tewksbury. Visiting hours Sunday 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 in the funeral home.

Interment in St. Mary's Cemetery, No. Tewksbury. Memorials to the Merrimack Valley VNA Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Bldg. 9, Lawrence, MA 01843, will be appreciated.

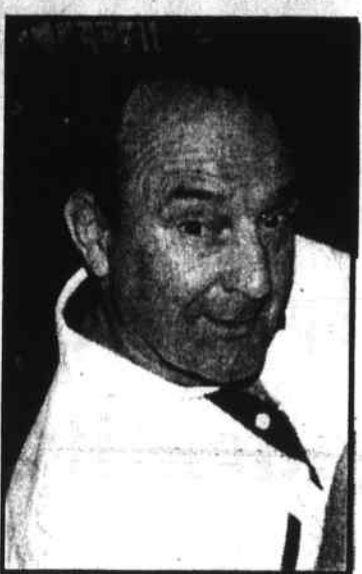
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Carl J. "Mal" Malenchini

Marine, Colonial re-enactor, grandfather

WILMINGTON - Carl J. "Mal" Malenchini, 60, of Wilmington, died December 29, 2002 at the New England Medical Center in Boston.

Mr. Malenchini was born in Melrose the son of the late John D. and the late Clair (Fitzpatrick) Malenchini. He was a Corporal in the United States Marine Corps, and was a member of the Marine Corps Reserve. Prior to retirement he was employed as a steel worker.



He was a member of the Wilmington Marine Corps League, 10th Regiment of Foote (Redcoats) Reenactment Group and of the Steel Workers Union #17.

During his service with the Marines he made two tours to Vietnam and was wounded twice. He was awarded many medals for his service.

In the Marine Corps Reserves he rose to the rank of Sergeant Major, the highest enlisted rank attainable. He served over 32 years with the Marines.

In addition, Mr. Malenchini had been a member of the Wilmington Minutemen Company for more

than a dozen years, serving as Corporal and Sergeant for many years. His service with His Majesty's 10th Regiment stemmed out of that love for colonial reenactment. He served as a foot soldier and also as a Colonel in Redcoats' ranks.

"Mal" will be remembered for his practical jokes, fierce love of friends and dedication to family. As a grandfather he was uncanceled; present at each grandchild's birth, he reveled in their life and growth.

Mr. Malenchini was the beloved husband of Elaine A. (Duplessé); and is survived by his children Paula Kirkpatrick, her husband Matthew and their daughter Grace of Ansonia, CT, Lynda Knoops and her son Wayne Jr. of Wilmington, Diana Connolly and her children Matthew and Holly of Billerica; his stepdaughters Jennifer Ouellette and her husband Vincent of Manchester, NH, Amy Paten and her fiancé Brian Clark of Hudson, NH and Lisa Gazzara and her husband Peter Jr. of Londonderry, NH; his sister Claire Gorman of Melrose and eight step-grandchildren.

Mal was also the brother of the late Joanne Mistretta of Winchester.

His funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38) Wilmington on Friday morning at 8:45 followed by a funeral mass at St. Thomas Church at 10. Interment took place in the family lot Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Memorials in his name, may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 330 Congress St., 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02210 or American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701. Vietnam Marine Veteran.

Walter J. Jackson

Electrical engineer; enjoyed astronomy and stamp collecting; at 68

WILMINGTON: Walter J. Jackson, 68, a Wilmington resident for the past 35 years, died suddenly December 31, 2002 at Winchester Hospital. He was the husband of

Beverly M. (Dalton) Jackson with whom he celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary May 9. Born in Medford on December 5, 1934, he was a son of the late Walter II and Catherine (Henson) Jackson. Mr. Jackson attended Somerville schools, graduating from Somerville High School with honors in 1953. Following graduation he attended Tufts University in Medford.

Mr. Jackson served in the U.S. Air Force from 1954-1963 as a navigator and engineer. He was awarded the Air Force Longevity Service Award on November 16, 1959 and was honorably discharged January 15, 1963 with the rank of Airman First Class.

Prior to retirement in 1986, he was employed as an electrical engineer by Wang Labs of Lowell. Mr. Jackson previously worked for Honeywell Corp in Waltham and

later with the former Infocore Co. in Burlington. He was an avid astronomer and stamp collector. In addition he enjoyed restoring antique radios.

In addition to his widow he is survived by one daughter; Beverly (Jackson) DeLuca and her husband Rick; one son, Walter H. Jackson and his fiancé Laura Bellerose; three grandchildren; Katlyn, Emily and Vincent DeLuca; two sisters, Kathleen McCloskey of Medford and Ella Mae LaMothe and her husband Bill of Epping, N.H.; also many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 4, 2003 at the Farmer & Dee Funeral Home, 180 Lee St., Tewksbury, Burial with military honors, provided by the U.S.A.F., Patriot Honor Team at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. The U.S. Flag was presented to Mrs. Beverly Jackson by Lenny Henson, Mr. Jackson's cousin, who is a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve. Memorial contributions to the Parkinson Disease Foundation, 710 West 168th St., New York, NY 10032 would be appreciated.

June M. McGorty

Devoted her life to her family; 74

TEWKSBURY - Mrs. June M. (Cooper) McGorty, age 74, a resident of Tewksbury for nearly 5 decades, died Monday, Jan. 6, 2002, at the Beth-Israel Deaconess Hospital in Boston after a lengthy illness. She was the wife of Neil John McGorty, who died in 1993.

She was born in Somerville, June 13, 1928, a daughter of the late James A. and Viola E. (Montgomery) Cooper. She was raised in Cambridge, but had lived in Tewksbury for the last 49 years.

As a resident of Tewksbury, she was a communicant of St. William's Church. Mrs. McGorty will be fondly remembered for having devoted her life to her family.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Neil and Jacqueline (Bureau) McGorty of Pepperell, two daughters and a son-in-law, Dawna and Joel Roush of Billerica, and Sharon Charest and her fiancé Paul Donath both of Tewksbury, one sister, Violet Partridge of Littleton, a sister and brother-in-law, Mary Ann and Anthony DiCeglie of Woburn, four grandchildren, Lisa Marie and Cheryl Ann McGorty, and Jessica Lane and Theresa Patricia Roush.

She was also sister of the late Mitzie McKinnon and Pearl Burke.



Her funeral is Saturday, Jan. 4 at 10:30 a.m. from the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851 2950. Funeral Mass Saturday at 11:00 a.m. in St. William's Church, 1351 Main St. (Rte 38) Tewksbury. Visiting hours Friday evening 5 to 8 p.m. in the funeral home. Interment in Tewksbury Cemetery. Memorials to the American Heart Assn., 20 Speen St. Framingham, MA 01701 will be appreciated. www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com

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Joy Laurel Clark to wed Jim Edward LaChapelle

WILMINGTON - Robert and Joan Clark of McDonald Road, Wilmington have announced the engagement of their daughter Joy Laurel to Jim Edward LaChapelle, son of Albert & Lucille LaChapelle of Shaffer St., Lowell.

Joy, a graduate of Wilmington High School is currently attending Middlesex Community College in Bedford. She is employed by Charlotte LLC in Woburn.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Lowell Regional Technical High School and Middlesex Community College (which he is currently reattending, for a second associate's degree), is a full time student and a

professional storyteller. A March wedding is being planned.



Christine Anderson to wed Audric Fauteux

WILMINGTON - Gail and George A. Anderson, Jr. of Magazine Street, Wilmington, have announced the engagement of their daughter Christine to Audric Fauteux, son of Mark and Bonnie Fauteux of Rutland, MA. Christine earned a Masters in

Education from Westfield State College and is currently employed as a fourth grade teacher in Barre, MA.

Her fiancé is a supervisor for Iron Mountain in Northboro, MA. A June wedding is planned.

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Births

JAMERSON: Jacob Matthew, to Andrew and Cynthia Jamerson, November 28 at Salem Hospital.

Grandparents include Sherrie Ouellette of Saugus; Raymond Ouellette of Norcross, GA; and Sharon and James Jamerson of Wilmington.

CARLAN: Sean Mathew, second child, first son to Richard and Rina (Tullian) Carlan December 9 at Halmark Health/ Melrose-Wakefield Campus.

Grandparents are Anna Tullian of Medford and Edward and Frances Carlan of Peabody.

Sean joins his three and a half year-old sister, Sara Nicole.

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Winifred Ann Corsaro to wed Steven Polomoscanik

WILMINGTON - Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corsaro of Wilmington have announced the engagement of their daughter, Winifred Ann, to Steven C. Polomoscanik, son of Stella and the late Michael Polomoscanik, originally of Fairport, N.Y.

Miss Corsaro earned a bachelor of arts in psychology from Merrimack College, a bachelor of science in nursing from Salem State College and is currently employed as a nurse case manager at John Hancock.

A May 2003 wedding is planned.

Her fiancé earned a bachelor of science in biochemistry from the University of New Hampshire and



Amber K. Arnold weds Christopher Pellegrino

TEWKSBURY - Amber K. Arnold, daughter of Fred Arnold of Southwick and Melanie Marcotte-Feinberg of Wilbraham, exchanged wedding vows with Christopher J. Pellegrino, son of Loretta Pellegrino of Tewksbury on April 26, 2002.

Following the reception held at the Log Cabin in Holyoke, the

couple honeymooned in the Caribbean.

The bride is a graduate of Northeastern University and is employed as a federal officer in Washington, DC. Her husband, also a graduate of Northeastern is now employed in law enforcement in Prince William Co., Virginia.

Laura Ann Dambrosio weds Adam Edward Osgood

WILMINGTON - Laura Ann Dambrosio, daughter of Joseph and Arlene Dambrosio of Marcia Road, Wilmington, became the bride of Adam Edward Osgood, of Arlington Street, Somerville, son of Drs. Celia and David Osgood of UMass Medical Center, Vermont, Saturday, July 20, 2002.

Father Gerry Clements performed the ceremony at the Stevens Estate on Osgood Hill in Andover. The reception followed immediately, also at the Stevens Estate.

The bride was radiant in a white halter style dress with which she chose to wear her sisters veil, featuring a crown style headpiece. She carried a hand held garden style arrangement of cala lilies and hydrangeas.

Maria Trouville of Dracut, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor while the brides attendants included her sister Lisa Cataldo of Dracut and two close friends, Lisa Carfagnini of Malden and Anne Murray of Wilmington.

The attendants were attired in blue dresses and carried simi-

lar garden style flowers featuring hydrangeas and roses.

Theo Griffin, of Somerville, a close friend of the groom, served as best man while ushering duties were in charge of friends Ishmael Ahmed of Vermont and Orlando of New Jersey.

Kelsey Rose Trouville, a niece of the bride served as flower girl.

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Dambrosio chose a teal colored dress while the mother of the groom was attired in a champagne colored dress.

The new Mrs. Osgood, a graduate of Wilmington High School earned a bachelor degree in business from Salem State College and is currently employed as a teacher with North Reading School of Ballet.

Her husband earned a bachelor degree in fine arts from the Pratt Institute and is currently employed in the Asian Art Department at Harvard University.

Following an 11 day cruise in the Caribbean, the couple is now living in Somerville.

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Cuts in aid mean it's "raining out"

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pending on state aid for as much as 30 to 40 percent of their annual budget.

According to Cairra, Wilmington is going to have to rely on its "free cash" reserve to get through the year, but, he says, Wilmington has relied much less on state aid than

many of its neighbors. Tewksbury, for example, received more than \$16 million from the state last year.

Cairra is apprehensive about the upcoming cuts and hopes that in some way it can be recognized that Wilmington has often demanded less from the state than others have. At the

very least, he does not want to see the town on the wrong end of proportionately unequal cuts.

"I would hate to see Wilmington penalized for the way we have governed ourselves," he asserted.

It appears that education and highway costs could be the most adversely effected.

"We no longer have a tobacco control program in the schools," Cairra states. "That was wiped out this past October, and we have no full day kindergarten."

Cairra adds that the money that the town normally receives for highway funds under Chapter 90 are going to be cut by a third, and that the Department of Education has already backed off on its commitment to share in some of the expenses incurred by special education services.

The Massachusetts Department of Education

(DOE) had been reimbursing school systems for half of the costs associated with special education students who were placed into private schools under the "50/50" program. David Driscoll, the Commissioner of Education, sent a memo, dated January 2, 2003, to the Superintendents of Schools in Massachusetts stating that, as of March 31, 2003, the DOE would no longer be able to offer funding.

"Our current appropriation is insufficient to pay all anticipated claims for this fiscal year," Driscoll stated.

Cairra cited spiraling health insurance costs and pensions as another contributing factor to be considered, and he sees this as a three-year problem.

"We are going to have to dip into the rainy day fund," Cairra notes. "It is clearly raining out."

Snow and ice budget hasn't melted...yet

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All the same, the barrage of blizzards has presented the DPW with its challenges.

"If we have a really bad storm like we did last Saturday, then it takes us a good week to recover from that and keep up," Onusseit says. "Given how things have been this early on, it looks like we're shaping up for a long winter."

Wilmington, along with neighboring communities, has had some issues this winter with the punctuality of shipments of needed tons of salt to spread on the roads and keep motorists from sliding on ice. The town receives its salt from three suppliers, one of which is based in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and two of which are located in

Chelsea. At press time, Onusseit reported that the DPW had back orders on 300 tons of salt.

"We did get two truckloads of salt earlier this week," Onusseit said, noting that such a delivery provided the town with 60 more tons of the material. "We have enough salt to get through another storm, but we do not now have enough to get through any storms after that."

Add it all up, and it seems that only skiers and plowing contractors have their fingers crossed for more snow any time soon.

Says Onusseit, "A few weeks of quiet weather would be nice."

To Wilmington, Tewksbury residents...

MEMA issues winter weather preparedness information

-Suggests list of winter supplies, emergency car kit

FRAMINGHAM - The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) has issued information to help people in the Wilmington and Tewksbury area prepare for another New England Winter Season.

MEMA has issued a "Suggested Winter Weather Supply List" for the home, along with items that should be included in a "Winter Emergency Car Kit".

"The Winter Season is upon us, so it is important that everyone take some simple steps to prepare for what will undoubtedly come," said MEMA Director Stephen J. McGrail told the Town Crier. "Those who already have an Emergency Preparation Kit, as MEMA continues to suggest, should be in fine shape already. Everyone should have some non-perishable food, bottled water, flashlights and extra batteries around the house, along with a portable radio or NOAA Weather Radio in case of power outages or other emergencies caused by a winter storm."

Additional items that should be included on a Winter Weather Supply List are a freshly-stocked first-aid kit, essential prescription medicines, non-perishable foods (those that require no refrigeration such as canned goods, dried fruits and nuts), a non-electric can opener, water (one gallon per person, per day), baby items (extra diapers, formula), extra blankets, sleeping bags and a fire extinguisher.

"Every household should develop a Family Emergency Communication Plan in case family members are separated from one another during a storm. That is a real possibility during the day if adults are at work and children are at school," said McGrail.

Suggested items for a Winter Emergency Car Kit include a flashlight with extra batteries, a basic first-aid kit, necessary medications, a pocket knife, booster cables, a blanket or a sleeping bag, extra clothes (including rain gear, mittens and socks); non-perishable foods, a non-electric can opener, sand for generating vehicle traction, tire chains or traction mats, a basic tool kit (pliers, wrench, screwdriver), a tow rope, a container of water and a brightly colored cloth to serve as a flag, if necessary.

Ensure that your tires have adequate tread and keep your gas tank at least half-full. Plan long trips carefully, listening to the latest weather reports and road conditions. Travel during the day, and if possible, try to take someone along with you.

Suggested winter weather supply list:

- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Portable radio or NOAA Weather Radio with extra batteries
- First-aid kit
- Essential prescription medicines
- Non-perishable Food
- Non-electric can opener
- Water (one gallon per person/per day)
- Baby items
- Extra blankets and sleeping bags
- Fire extinguisher
- Develop a 'Family Emergency Communication Plan' in case family members are separated from one another during a winter storm (a real possibility during the day when adults are at work and children are at school), and have a plan for getting back together. Ask an out-of-state relative or friend to serve as the "family contact." After a disaster, it is often easier to call long distance. Make sure everyone knows the name, address and telephone number of the contact person.

Suggested winter emergency car kit

Keep the following items in your car in case of emergency during a Winter Storm:

- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Basic first-aid kit
- Necessary medications

Play tackles important teenage "Stuff"

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theme of teen life.

"While the play does not have a lot of notoriety, it deals with many issues that students are facing everyday," Luciana states.

According to a summary of "And Stuff" on the Internet Theater Bookshop, the play uses monologues and short scenes to reflect on teens' experiences of living and surviving in the United States, in effect "unflinchingly portraying both the joys and difficulties of the process of becoming an adult, allowing teens to speak for themselves, dramatizing their own voice."

One of the more controversial scenes was written well ahead of its time, as it deals with the aftermath of a fictionalized

school shooting.

"It's a different format, a different type of show from what people are used to seeing," promises Luciana. "It is introducing the students to a different type of theatre, one in which they can't carry it through songs or through music, but they actually have to carry it through their character and through their lines of dialogue."

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Dunkin Donuts robber nabbed

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to the situation and a surveillance of the home and vehicle was established.

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Toscano has subsequently been charged with several robberies, most notably the ones that had taken place at the Dunkin Donuts in Wilmington and 129 Convenience in Billerica.

While he has not been charged, his connection to the recent hold-up of an individual in the North Meadows parking lot in Tewksbury has not yet been ruled out.

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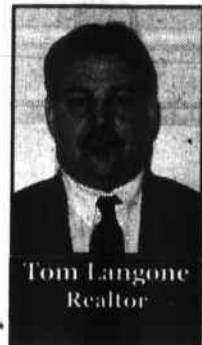
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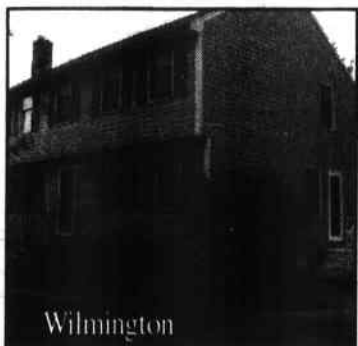


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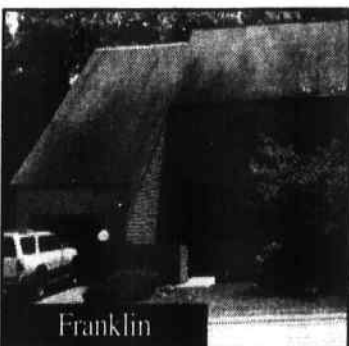
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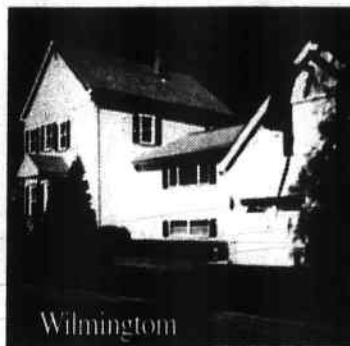
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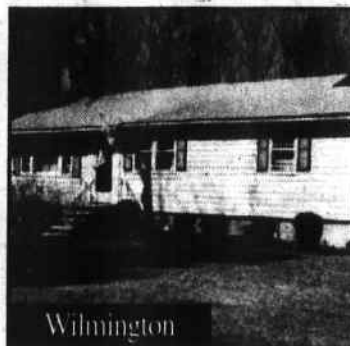
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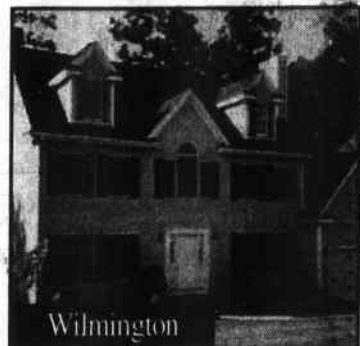
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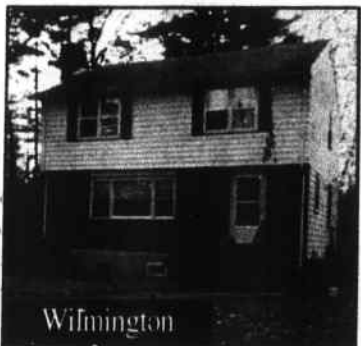
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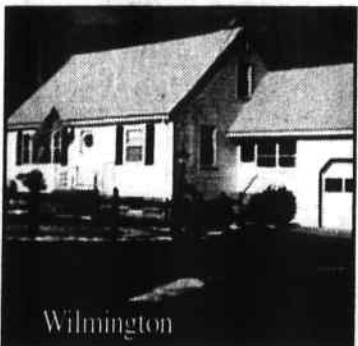
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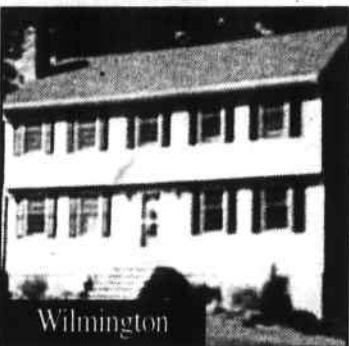
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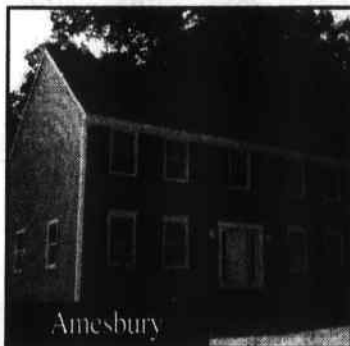
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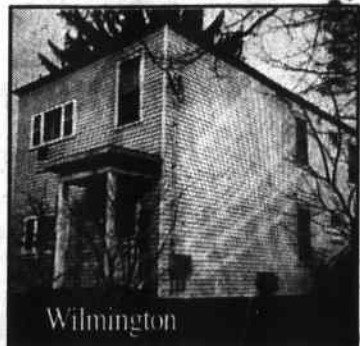
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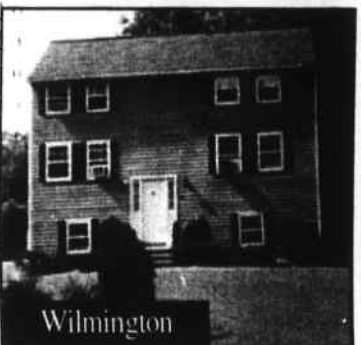
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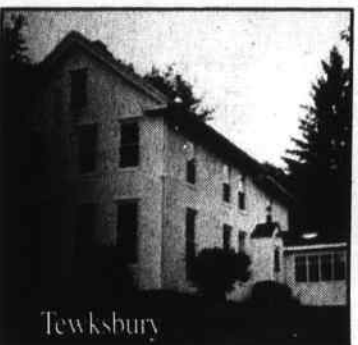
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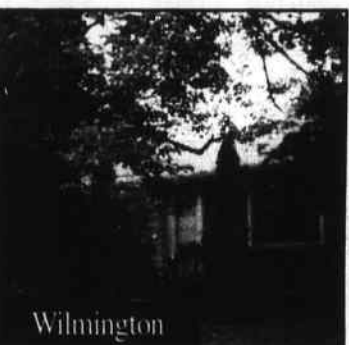
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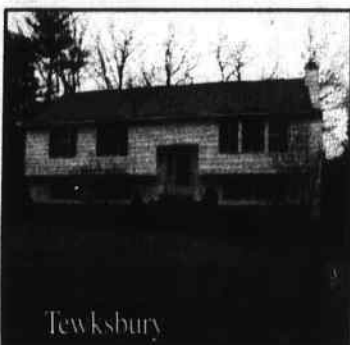
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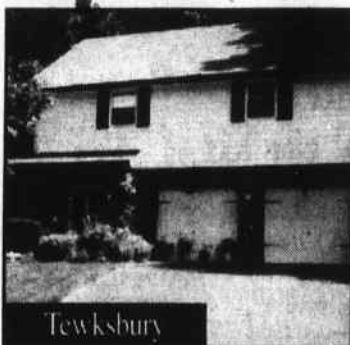
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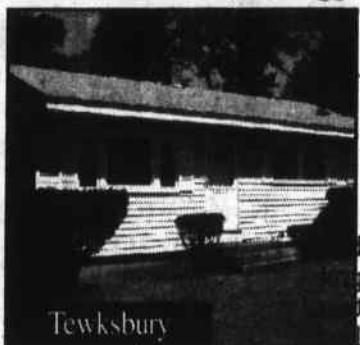
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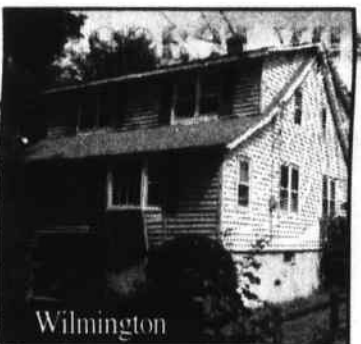
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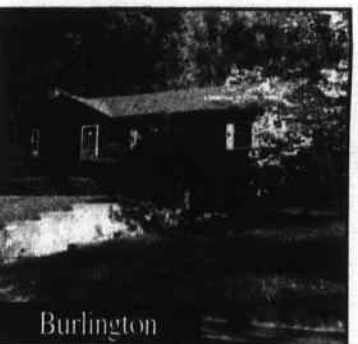
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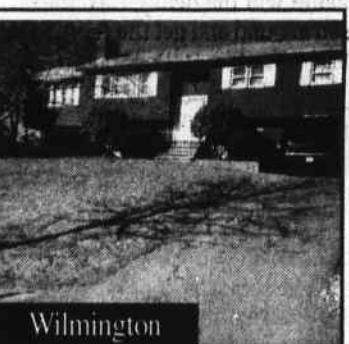
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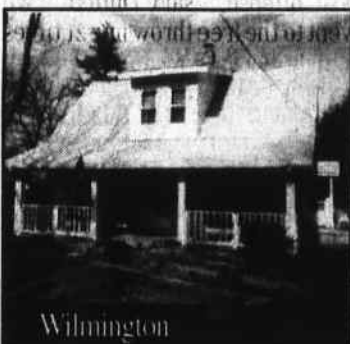
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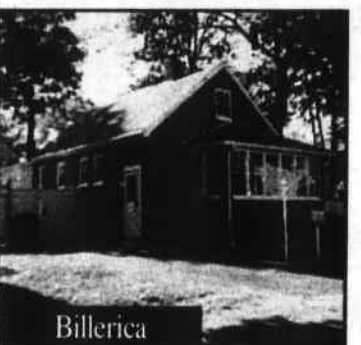
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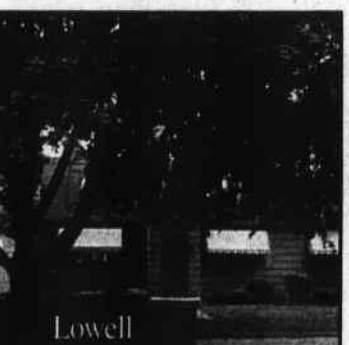
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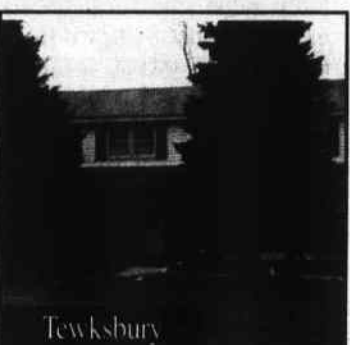
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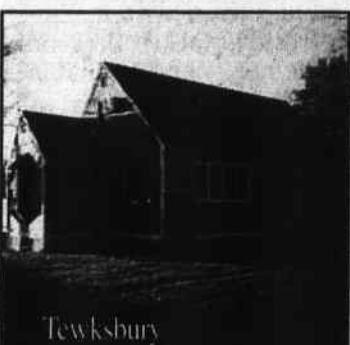
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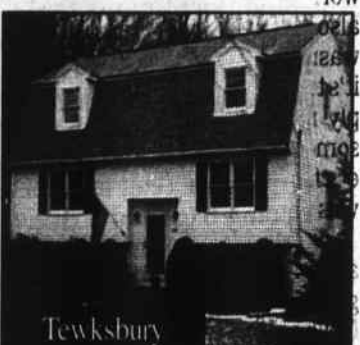
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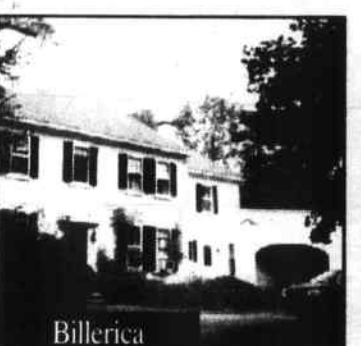
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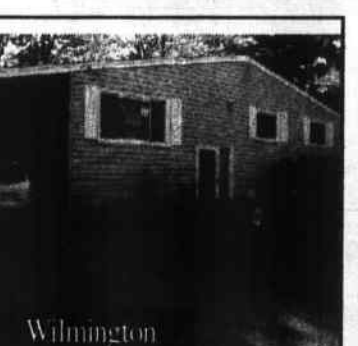
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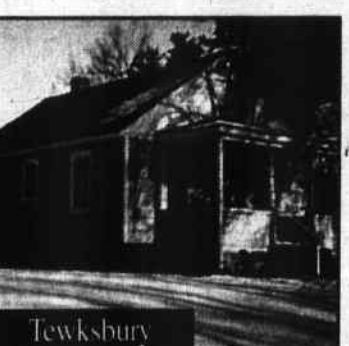
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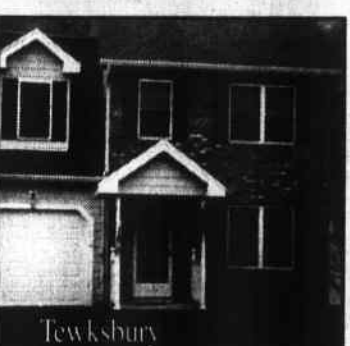
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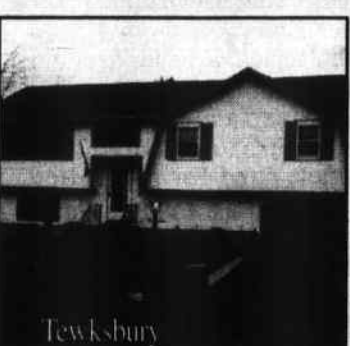
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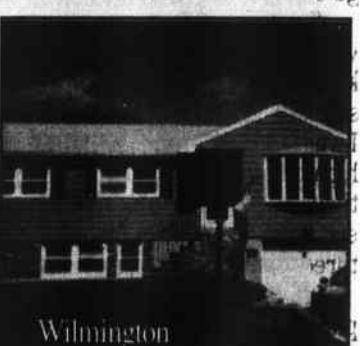
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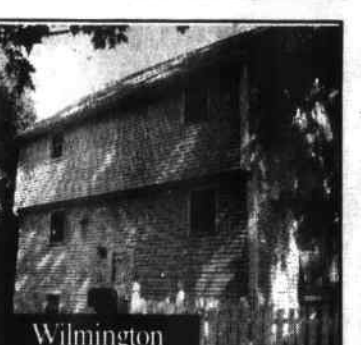
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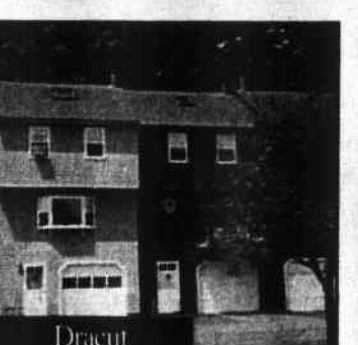
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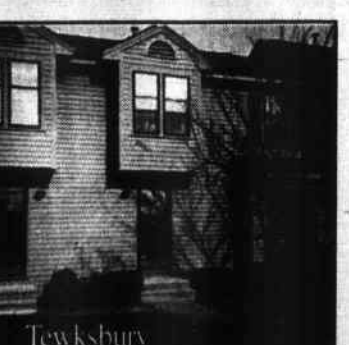
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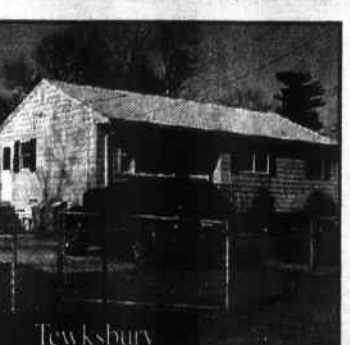
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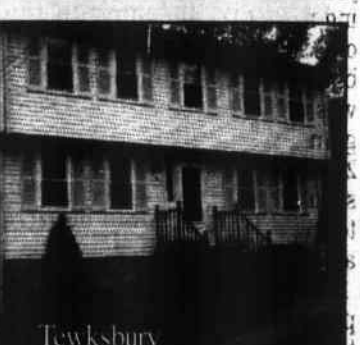
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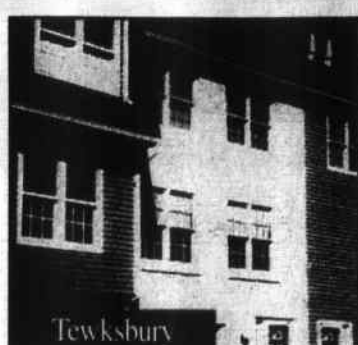
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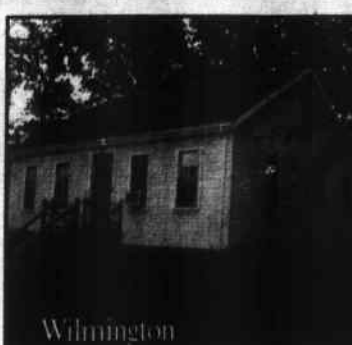
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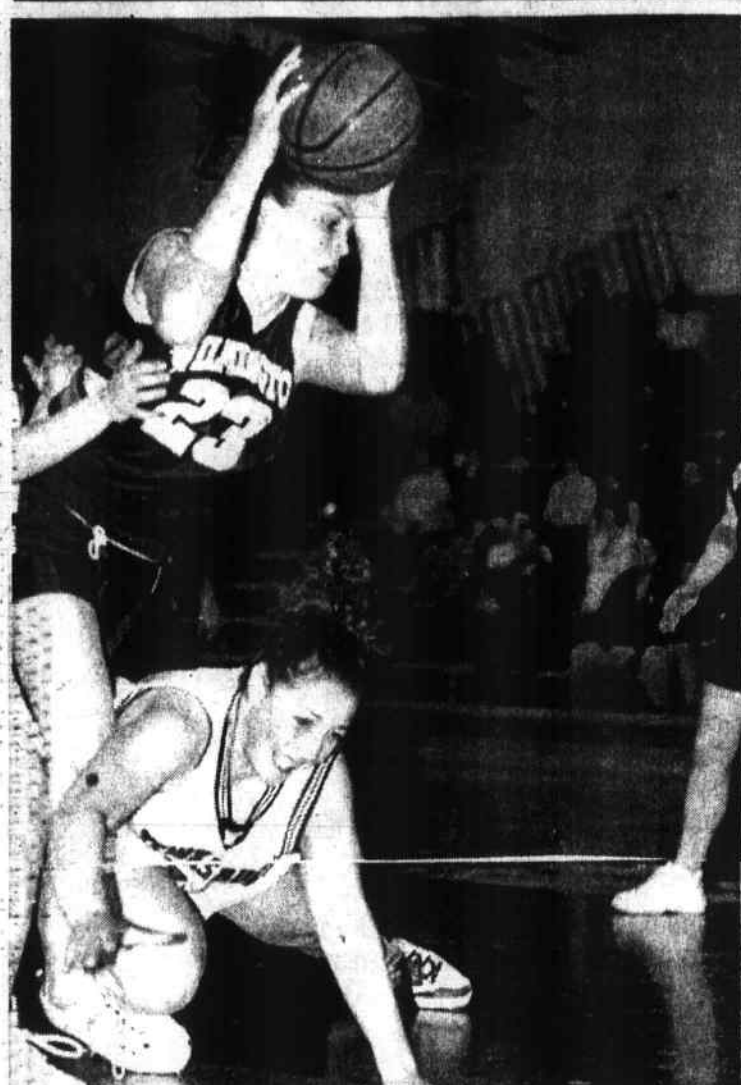
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Wrestling team places places eight in tourney

The Big Three and then some

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

During the pre-season, it was known that the Wilmington High wrestling team had the Big Three — Derek Hanley, Roman Walsh and Jordan Weiner — who would be counted on for wins, tournament championships and certainly the possibility of many post-season awards.

And while head coach Mike Pimental was seeing what else he had to fill out his roster, he noticed he had a handful of very hard working kids who had loads of potential. But a coach never knows if that potential will ever come to fruition, especially in live meets.

Well on Sunday, Pimental reaped the benefits of what he saw at the start of the season. Now instead of just counting on the Big Three, he knows the potential for an entire team to win and post points is there. The Wildcats participated in the Haverhill tournament and came home with a second place finish of the seven team teams.

Not only did Wilmington place in the tournament for the first time in the program's history, but they had three tournament champions, a runner-up, two wrestlers take third and two more take fourth place. All in all, the team crowned a champion for the first time in his career, while, four others earned their first medals.

"We did great," said Pimental. "Both the varsity and the JV teams were terrific. The JV team I think lost just three matches and that shows the development of this program. There seven teams and I think the more teams in a tournament, the better your chances are of doing well because the talent is spread out. But with less teams, it's harder to score and you need more kids to do better. And we certainly did that."

Host Haverhill won the meet with 123 points. Wilmington followed with 96.5 points, while Brooks Academy, which had just seven wrestlers compete in the 14-weight divisions because of the semester break, somehow managed 88.5 points to take third place. Pentucket, Lawrence, Salem and Londonderry, New Hampshire also competed.

The Big Three all competed in the finals with two of them winning. Derek Hanley, the returning Division 3 state champion and all-state runner-up, won the 145-pound weight class by going undefeated throughout the day. In the finals he handed Will Drayton of Haverhill a loss, which keeps Hanley at 19-0 on the season, bringing his total wins to 122. He has now won the Wilmington, Hopkinton and Haverhill tournaments.

"Derek did really well," said Pimental. "He's been trying to work on some other techniques and it's one thing to do them in practice but it's another thing to go out there and try them and do them in meets. It was exciting to watch him add more things to his repertoire because he is so good technically on his feet and he was really dazzling people out there. I think the new techniques he added will just make him better and better by the season's end."

At 130 pounds, Weiner had what Pimental called the most exciting finals match of the night. He defeated Pentucket's Kevin LaFrance, 5-1. LaFrance beat Weiner twice last year, including dominating him at the Cape Ann League meet.

"I think that just shows how hard Jordan has worked since the end of last season," said Pimental. "LaFrance beat him good last year and Jordan came back to beat him, 5-1. I think he should have been named the tournament's most outstanding wrestler but he didn't get it."

At 135 pounds, Walsh had a very tough task in the final. He took on Brooks Academy's Kyle Harger, who is a two-time New England Prep School champion, as well as being sixth in the entire nation last year while he has never lost a match in all of New England. The two of them battled very hard with

Harger coming out on top, 13-4.

"Harger caught Roman at the beginning in a five point move and that was just a huge deficit to climb out of," said Pimental. "But Roman came back and scored on two reverses and a couple of escapes. Certainly Harger is the toughest kid he faced this season."

Ditto on the other end. Harger told the Lawrence Eagle Tribune after the match that Walsh was the toughest kid he faced this season.

The fourth wrestler to compete in the finals is Cory Calway. At 119 pounds he beat Londonderry, New Hampshire's Steve Charles in the finals to take his first tournament

championship.

"I'm so happy for Chris," said Pimental. "He's been injured and he had knee surgery during the summer and if he wrestles like he did this weekend, that championship won't be his last."

At 112 pounds, sophomore Tim Sughrue did very well to take third place. Pimental said that Sughrue was extremely aggressive which helped in many matches. At 125 pounds, Evan Walsh "continues to amaze" as the freshman took third place. At 152 pounds, Mike Aronofsky took fourth, including losing a double-overtime thriller for third and fourth place. And

finally for the place finishers, senior Matt Gennetti swiped a well earned fourth place medal.

"Our goal with him was to get one medal before he graduated," said Pimental. "He certainly deserves this one. He's a battler - a true battler. Now that he has this, we have to set another goal for him and I can bet you he'll work as hard as he can to get achieve it."

Also competing hard in the tournament were Mike St. Aubin, Dennis Trulli, Nick Manent, Greg Boland and Kenny Luongo.

This week Wilmington hosts Salem on Wednesday night and travel to Marblehead on Thursday for two non-league meets.

Wildcat boys hoop coach Jim McCune:

'Tonight was disgraceful'

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Last year at this time, the Wilmington Wildcat boys' basketball team played what head coach Jim McCune called a horrible game against Ipswich. But that game helped the team as it played magnificently thereafter as they captured the Cape Ann League crown and went to the Division 3 North Sectional Final.

On Tuesday night, pretty much the same words of "[Tuesday] was disgraceful" came out of McCune's mouth again after his team lost 57-52 to Masconomet. He's not ahead of himself to think that this one game will magically turn the season around and get the team to the Fleet Center. Rather, he believes that if the team doesn't turn things around, they could be in for a long winter and be sitting in the bleachers and watching other teams perform come post-season time.

"If there's one thing I'm going to do this year is to make sure we never get outplayed or outmuscled again," said McCune. "I can guarantee you that. If we continue to get outplayed we won't have enough players by the end of the season [on the team]. I'm not going back to that. There's been too many years where we have built a reputation of outworking teams. I'm tired of being outworked. If the kids aren't going to hustle, I will find someone that will."

"We have our reputation because we outwork teams and the kids on this team have helped build that reputation. They have to realize that there's teams out there dying to get a shot at us and beat us. Masco acted as if they won the state championship [on Tuesday after beating us]. We're not playing with the urgency. We're not playing like we're the favorites of the league. What we do in practices hasn't been brought to games. I think our practices are pretty good, but once the game starts we have some guys who don't come to play, we lack focus and we lack execution."

"A coach can only help a kid with confidence, but in the end the player has to be confident about himself. He can't be nervous. It's a pressure packed out there. That's what happens when the Boston Herald picks you within the top three teams in all of Division three. It's great that the kids can recognize that but they have to go out and prove it and do it on the floor."

"Our mental attitude has to change. We have to come hungry and ready to play each and every game. Instead we're sitting like big fat cats on top of the wall acting like we are king poop. Everyone wants to stick it to us and if we play like we did tonight, we could easily lose the next three games and be in a lot of trouble."

McCune said that once again the team is not utilizing its strengths of having two big men down low, while at the same time the two big guys Pat Taylor and Zack Mitzen have to do a better job rebounding and helping each other out. He also said the guards have to do a better

job of passing and getting those players the ball.

"We have our hands full right now," he said. "We don't have Craig [Osgood] and we can't wait around for Craig. We have to get up off our rear ends and go after people. Our effort is too inconsistent."

"It's frustrating right now because I thought we were better than we are. There's a lot of questions going through my mind. It's not fair to point fingers and we're not going to do that. It's collectively as a team. The kids have to

decide if winning is important to them. And if it is, they have to step up their intensity, they have to be hungry and their focus and execution has to be better."

As for the game, Wilmington had the lead several times but didn't pull away when needed be, and didn't rebound as Masco had plenty of opportunities for second and third shots which led to easy baskets.

Sean Osgood led with 15 points, followed by Ryan Tildsley with 9.

Friday night a huge game for many reasons

This Friday night was supposed to be the start of back-to-back games of Wilmington facing undefeated Cape Ann League foes. But after Tuesday night's loss, Wilmington now has a chance to knock off two teams who are playing extremely good basketball right now.

Friday night, Amesbury (4-0 before Tuesday night) and its junior guard Matt Zink, who is aver-

aging 30 points a game, come to town with an opening tip-off of 7 PM. Besides the play of him, Ellis Golden the other guard, gives the team a dynamic backcourt which is said to be among the state's best.

On Tuesday, Wilmington travels to Newburyport which is 6-0 and they are playing phenomenal basketball as of late. The two teams have built a very good rivalry over the last few years.

K of C Free Throw contest

The Wilmington Knights of Columbus, with the cooperation of the Wilmington Recreation Department and the Wilmington High School Athletic Department, will present its annual K of C Free Throw Contest for boys and girls in the 10-through-14 age groups. Groupings are based on your age as of January 1, 2002.

There will be separate contests for boys and girls in each age group. Trophies will be awarded to the winners in each category and those winners can advance to District, Regional, and State shoot-outs.

Place: Wilmington High School gym.

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2003.

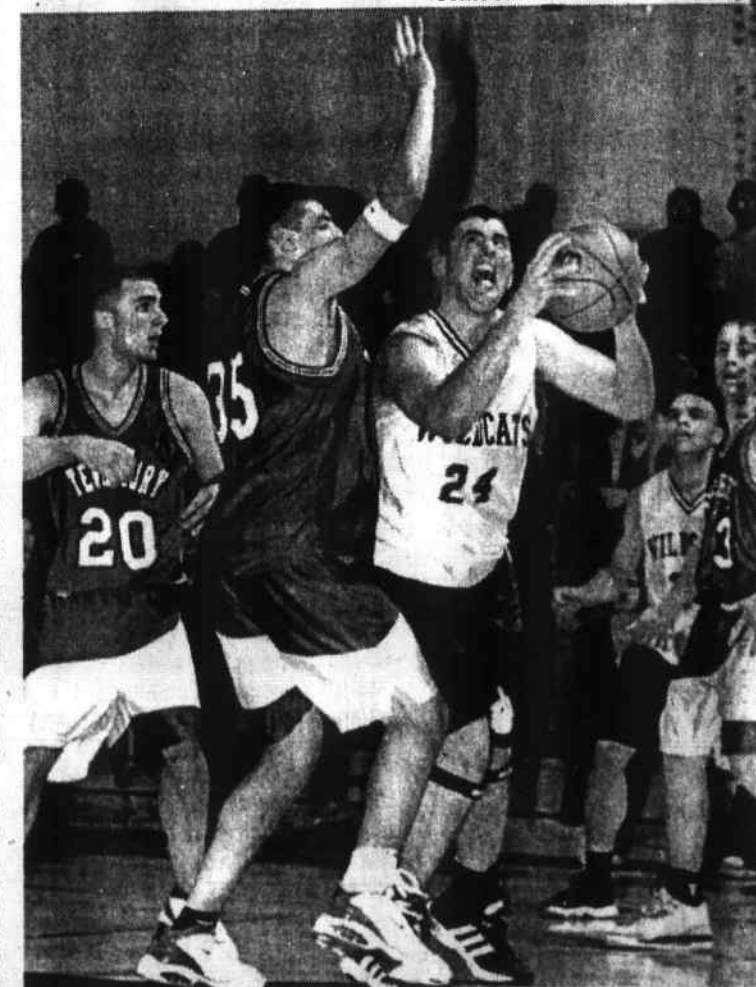
Time: Registration begins at 6:45

p.m.; shoot-out will begin about 7:15 p.m.

(No shooters will be allowed to check in after 7:30. We expect to finish by approximately 8:30.)

Parents and coaches are urged to encourage their kids to come on down and give it a shot. It is an opportunity for the kids to perform in a competitive environment. Over the past 25 years, many Wilmington shooters have had success at the District, Regional and State level. Some have won the State Championship. In fact, former Wilmington High standout Eric Swiezynski, currently playing for St. Michael's College on a basketball scholarship, was a two time K of C State Runner-up.

Come on down and have some fun!



WILMINGTON HIGH SENIOR FORWARD PAT TAYLOR goes to the hoop during a recent basketball game. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

Girls haven't turned the corner yet

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

First year head coach Al Duffett has admitted that a portion of the problem for his girls' basketball team is his unfamiliarity with league opponents. After spending a dozen or so years in the Dual County League, Duffett is still very new to the styles and opposing players of the Cape Ann League teams.

Just two days before meeting up with perennial powerhouse Masconomet Regional, Duffett implemented a new defense for the Wildcat girls because of what he saw in one previous Chieftain game. At times the new 3-2 zone defense worked very well and at times it also broke down. But the defense wasn't the problem. Once again it's turnovers, and Wilmington simply makes too many. Add to that some terrific three-pointers shooters from Masco and the end result was a 56-36 loss.

Wilmington is now 3-4 overall and has two very tough league games with Amesbury and Newburyport before the schedule gets a bit easier.

"I only saw Masco play once so we changed the defense to a zone to keep their outside shooters from scoring," said Duffett. "Defensively I was pretty happy, but Masco still hit a lot of three-pointers. We knew they had the two three-point shooters, but then a couple others hit the three-pointers, too."

In the first half, Wilmington played extremely sloppy, scoring just four field goals including going nearly seven minutes without one. Although they missed some bunny shots, the 'Cats rebounding was very good and they were in the game trailing by six points with 2:32 to go. But Masco hit two consecutive three-pointers on its way to a 10-2 run and suddenly they had a 27-14 halftime lead.

In the second half, Wilmington played a little better. Offensively, they drove to the net which turned

In case you missed it

Since I was at the Wilmington-Masconomet girls' basketball game on Tuesday night, I missed it but maybe you didn't.

Wilmington High graduate Corey Masse of 1991, hit it big time on Tuesday night. Masse, who has been the play-by-play radio announcer for the Providence Bruins (Boston Bruins' minor league team), filled in for Tom Caron on NESN for the inbetween in-depth analysis with former Boston Bruin great Cam Neely.

Congratulations goes out to Masse.

- JAMIE POTE -

Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

Rams hockey recharging

By: Mike Ippolito
Sports Correspondent

After starting the season 0-2, things did not look bright for the Shawsheen Tech hockey team. With twelve new players this season, it was difficult to get a read on just how good this team could be.

But the Rams, who are the defending Commonwealth Athletic Conference champions, quickly remembered just how good they could be and have rolled off three consecutive wins to get themselves right back on track.

Their latest win was a 6-5 triumph over Cambridge in a road game last Saturday night. Prior to that, the Rams had earned a 6-1 win over league rival Minuteman in another road game. The win over Minuteman was the league opener for the Rams, and they were led by two goals and an assist by sophomore Bob Giordano. Giordano, who led the Rams in scoring last season as a freshman has picked up right where he left off, having scored a hat trick along with an assist in a 6-4 win over Bishop Fenwick earlier in the season.

"Bobby had two terrific games in a row for us," Rams coach Bill Gordon said. "He's been putting a lot of points up and is playing really well."

Not that Gordon or the rest of the Rams are surprised by Giordano's efforts. The interesting part, Gordon says will be watching the 5-11 lbs. super sophomore as the year goes on.

"He's been pretty much what we expected," Gordon said. "As the season goes on he will draw more coverage and will start getting more attention. But because of his size, physically he will be very difficult to slow down. That's a big advantage for him."

Heading into the Minuteman clash, the Rams had played nothing but non-league contests against such quality opponents as Pentucket, Concord Carlisle and Bishop Fenwick. The tough competition helped prepare the Rams for the league schedule ahead, but Gordon and the Rams know where their priorities lie.

"It was a big win for us because it was the first league game," Gordon said. "We had pressed upon them the importance of winning the league games. A couple of teams have already gotten a couple of wins in the league so we want to keep pace. And Minuteman is a quality opponent, so it was a good win for us."

Of course, the non-league games against quality teams don't hurt as far as improving their skills and making them even tougher to deal with when playing teams at their own level.

"We try to at least go up a division or get another quality Division 3 opponent when we play non league games," Gordon said. "We like to stretch ourselves. Even though this team is very young, I want to treat them the same as any other team."

In goal for the win over Minuteman was Tewksbury junior Ryan Harris, who made 23 saves in the game. Harris has been splitting time in goal with senior T.J. O'Leary. Another Tewksbury native, freshman Larry Bruno may see some playing time down the road, but with the way the two veteran net minders have been playing there has been no reason to change what is working.

"Ryan played a very good game," Gordon said. "We have the two goalies alternating at this point until one really steps up. They are pretty much even at this point and that would be the best thing for us, if they both continue to play well."

With twelve new players, part of the goal for early in the season was not only to win games, but also to gain some experience, which will help later in the season. The experience will not only help the players, but will also help Gordon get a better feel for what works best for his team.

"With 12 new kids it takes a little while to see who really works in what positions," Gordon said. "Now that they have had the opportunity to play some games things become a little clearer."

The Rams have two games this week, Wednesday night at Lowell and Thursday night at home against Nashoba Tech.

Swimming
The Shawsheen Tech swimming team has not had much of a chance to show their skills against their competitors this season, having only had two meets this season. The Rams have posted a 1-1 record in those meets with their win coming over Greater Lawrence and their loss coming to Northeast, both in road meets. But they have not been in action since the December 19 loss to Northeast.

Last Friday, the Rams were scheduled to take on Tyngsboro at home in what was supposed to be their key meet of their year to this point. The Rams only loss of last

season came to Tyngsboro and the two are once again expected to battle for the Commonwealth Athletic Conference crown. The meet, however, was canceled due to snow and rescheduled for January 13.

As much as the Rams were looking forward to battling their chief rivals, the postponement may have worked to their advantage.

"We were missing four of our very good swimmers because the meet was scheduled during vacation week and a lot of kids were away," Shawsheen coach Terry Bradley said. "So the rescheduling definitely helps us."

Despite the lack of competitive action, several members of the team have begun to establish themselves in practice and should bring a lot of success to the team once the season gets rolling, beginning Wednesday night versus Minuteman.

Sophomore Pat Compenschi of Wilmington has been the star of the Rams so far. Compenschi, who was outstanding even just as a freshman last season has been even better so far this year. Against Northeast, in fact, he broke his own school record for the 100-meter breaststroke by two seconds in a time of 1:22.

"Pat has just been great for us," Bradley said. "He's young, but he is a very strong swimmer. He's got a great future, and he is already doing a great job for us."

Wilmington's Andrea Gomez has been another standout for the Rams in the 100-meter butterfly. The junior is another young star whom the Rams will be able to count on not only in the present, but also in the future. Bradley has been able to count on not only Gomez' ability, but also her team first attitude.

"She's just a junior, but she has been doing unbelievable," Bradley said. "She could be an unbelievable breast stroker, but we need her in the backstroke and she always wins in that event as well. I know it's not her favorite, but she is helping the team."

Wilmington's Tom Tringale, one of the Ram captains has been competing in the 500-meter freestyle. He has had success as far as competition goes, but even more than that, his role as captain has been invaluable to Bradley and the Rams.

"He is doing pretty well in the 500 meters, but our captains have just been awesome," Bradley said. "It's my first year as coach so I have had to rely on them quite a bit and they have been great."

The extra practice time without a meet has not necessarily been a bad thing for the Rams. In addition to the obvious benefits of putting off the Tyngsboro match, the entire team has benefited from having more time to work under Bradley's tutelage. The Rams are a young squad, and although this is Bradley's first year of coaching, she has taught swimming for the past 24 years and the extra time has allowed her and her assistant time to work with the young swimmers.

"We have to teach some of the kids correct breathing for swimming and the correct techniques for all of the strokes, because if they do not do the stroke properly they can be disqualified," Bradley said. "We are very young, but we are coming together."

After Wednesday's meet with Minuteman, the Rams will continue their season Friday at home against Lynn Tech.

Girls' hoop team off to perfect start

By: MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

BILLERICA -- Surely the Shawsheen Tech girls basketball team will be challenged by some of their opponents this season. But it certainly hasn't happened yet. The Lady Rams are 6-0 after a pair of wins on their home court on Monday and Tuesday by a combined total of 60 points.

On Monday, the Lady Rams routed Essex by a score of 70-27, and on Tuesday they showed no ill effects of playing games on consecutive days by blowing out Whittier by a score of 43-36.

On Monday, Shawsheen was led by freshman Many McDonald's 16 points along with Wilmington's Ashley Morgado's 13, as they opened up a big halftime lead and never looked back.

Tuesday was more of the same for the Lady Rams as they came out firing right from the start and built a 29-10 halftime lead. Although they went a little cold in the second half, it hardly mattered as they came on strong late in the game to secure the victory.

Shawsheen coach Bill Ritchie was pleased with the way his team came out of the blocks against Whittier. Although they did not play their best game, the effort they gave was exactly what he wanted to see.

"We came out ready," Ritchie said. "We did not play particularly well, but we played hard. We are not ready to play really well yet, but when we become ready for that, we will be a very difficult team to play."

Morgado once again led the way for the Lady Rams with 18 points as she inches closer to the school record for most points scored in a career by either a boy or girl. The real spark for the Lady Rams, however, came from MacDonald who had 17 points off the bench in relief of Wilmington's Kristen Porfido who got into early foul trouble.

It was Tewksbury native Jen Elwell who got Shawsheen off to hot start. Elwell scored the first four points of the game on a pair of jumpers within the game's first two minutes. They were the only four points Elwell had in the game, but they were quite possibly the four biggest points of the game.

The four points were the only statistical contribution from Elwell on the day, but they were far from her only contribution.

"Jen started us off well, and I told her that at halftime," Ritchie said. "She had those big shots and then she continued to play hard the rest of the game."

With the Lady Rams holding a 6-2 lead in the early minutes of the game, Porfido picked up her second foul, and was forced to the bench. Fortunately for the Ritchie he was able to look to the bench and find his freshman phenom MacDonald. She scored a basket just moments after entering the game off of a feed from

Morgado and was a key figure in the 15-2 run that Shawsheen went onto open up a 21-4 lead, scoring seven points during the run.

"Mandy did a fantastic job," Ritchie said. "She played really well. And what she does is make Ashley even better. Teams want to commit to Ashley alone inside, but they can't."

The Lady Rams went cold from the outside for several minutes late in the half being held scoreless from the 8:31 mark until a jumper from Morgado broke the skein with 4:10 left in the half.

Even during their cold stretch, the Lady Rams never allowed the Wildcats any closer than 21-9. Morgado's bucket sparked an 8-0 run by Shawsheen that included four points by MacDonald to close the half.

Morgado dominated on the boards in the first half. She did not have her best day of the season shooting the ball, but her ability to get her own rebounds and put up second and third chances allowed her to still have a good scoring day.

According to Ritchie, it wasn't simply a lack of shooting touch by Morgado, but rather the physical abuse being dished out by the Whittier defenders, much of which was not called by the officials. For the game, Whittier attempted 22 free throws to just eight for Shawsheen.

"She was getting beat up under there, that was the problem," Ritchie said. "Sometimes people think because you're the biggest kid you can just take that abuse, but it's not right."

The second half was much more devoid of the offensive fireworks of the first half. Whittier scored the first seven points of the half, five of them with free throws. Before Whittier could get any closer than twelve points however, Morgado once again broke the run to make the score 31-17 with 11:30 left in the game.

Shawsheen did not score again until 7:51 remained in the game, but Whittier had managed just one bucket in the meantime, so the hoop by MacDonald made the score 33-19.

"In the second half, it was just a question of inexperience for us. It's that simple," Ritchie said. "Don't forget we have a lot of new people this year and a lot of young players. With experience we will continue to get better."

Shawsheen extended their lead to 20 points at 39-19 after baskets by Erica Marsh and Morgado with 5:00 left. Whittier never got any closer than 15 points the rest of the night, and MacDonald fittingly closed out the scoring in the closing seconds to account for the final 17 point margin of victory.

Shawsheen's next game will be Friday at 4:45 at Minuteman, followed up by another road game at Fellowship next Tuesday.

WHERE'S THE ACTION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

TEWKSBURY BOYS TRACK AT LOWELL VS DRACUT 4 PM
WILMINGTON WRESTLING AT MARBLEHEAD 5 PM
TEWKSBURY JV/V BOYS BASKETBALL VS DRACUT 6:30 PM
TEWKSBURY JV/V GIRLS BASKETBALL AT DRACUT 6:30 PM
TEWKSBURY GYMNASIATICS AT DRACUT 7 PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

WILMINGTON FR GIRLS AT AMESBURY 3:30 PM
WILMINGTON FR BOYS HOOP VS AMESBURY 4 PM
WILMINGTON JV/V GIRLS HOOP AT AMESBURY 5:30/7 PM
WILMINGTON JV/V BOYS HOOP VS AMESBURY 5:30/7 PM
TEWKSBURY FR GIRLS/BOYS HOOP VS CHELMSFORD 4 PM
TEWKSBURY JV/V GIRLS HOOP AT CHELMSFORD 6:30 PM
TEWKSBURY JV/V BOYS HOOP VS CHELMSFORD 6:30 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

TEWKSBURY BOYS TRACK - DARTMOUTH RELAYS AT RLC 8 AM
TEWKSBURY GIRLS TRACK - TEAM PENTATHLON AT RLC 10 AM
TEWKSBURY WRESTLING AT ARLINGTON 10 AM
WILMINGTON V HOCKEY VS PENTUCKET 4:40 PM
TEWKSBURY V HOCKEY VS CENTRAL CATHOLIC AT SALEM, NH 6:10 PM
WILMINGTON JV HOCKEY VS TEWKSBURY AT JANAS RINK 8 PM
TEWKSBURY JV HOCKEY VS WILMINGTON 8 PM
WILMINGTON GIRLS HOCKEY AT MT ST. JOSEPH'S TBA

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

TEWKSBURY BOYS TRACK VS LAWRENCE AT METHUEN 3:30 PM
TEWKSBURY GIRLS TRACK VS CENTRAL CATHOLIC AT METHUEN 3:30 PM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

WILMINGTON FR BOYS HOOP AT NEWBURYPORT 3:30 PM
WILMINGTON FR GIRLS HOOP VS NEWBURYPORT 4 PM
TEWKSBURY FR GIRLS/BOYS HOOP VS CENTRAL CATHOLIC 4 PM
WILMINGTON JV/V BOYS HOOP AT NEWBURYPORT 5:30/6 PM
WILMINGTON JV/V GIRLS HOOP VS NEWBURYPORT 5:30/7 PM
TEWKSBURY JV/V GIRLS HOOP AT CENTRAL CATHOLIC 6:30 PM
TEWKSBURY JV/V BOYS HOOP VS CENTRAL CATHOLIC 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

TEWKSBURY JV HOCKEY AT METHUEN 5:30 PM
WILMINGTON WRESTLING VS TYNGSBORO 6:30 PM
TEWKSBURY V HOCKEY AT METHUEN 6:50 PM
WILMINGTON GIRLS HOCKEY VS MASCONOMET 7:30 PM
WILMINGTON V HOCKEY VS NR AT MERRICKMACK COLLEGE 7:45 PM
TEWKSBURY WRESTLING VS TBA

Wrestling rivalry continues

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

BILLERICA -- For years the Shawsheen Tech and Tewksbury High wrestling teams faced off in a non-league meet. It was always a fierce battle on and off the mat as brothers Mark and Al Donovan were the head coaches of Shawsheen and Tewksbury, respectively.

On Wednesday night, although it was a different feeling without the family bond, the same competitive battle took place on the mat. The powerhouse squad of Shawsheen prevailed by a final margin of, 40-31, to improve their record to 2-3. The up and comer from Tewksbury, who is coached by Brian Aylward after he took over for Al Donovan, meanwhile took another step towards becoming a force to be reckoned with for future opponents.

Although Mark Donovan and Aylward don't share the brother bond, they share another connection which makes this tradition and rivalry that much more special. Both of them are graduates of TMHS, and former outstanding wrestlers under the direction of Al Donovan. Mark Donovan was the captain of the Redmen squad that he and Aylward starred on.

Now years after their days starring on the high school mat, both Donovan and Aylward tried to give their best guidance to their wrestlers and on Wednesday night that seemed to work.

"We are very happy to get the win tonight," Shawsheen coach Mark Donovan said. "I knew Tewksbury was going to come in here and give us their best. They are a big rival and they are getting better. Brian is doing an excellent job."

For Aylward there was of course disappointment in the loss, but not much. In terms of what he is trying to teach his young squad which features only three seniors, Thursday night's match was considered a success.

"We don't talk in terms of records," Aylward said. "Our record isn't important until the end of the season. We like to measure our success by making sure we don't get out toughed or outworked, and tonight I felt like we were just as tough and worked just as hard as Shawsheen."

Aylward was also equally effusive in his praise for Donovan and his program at Shawsheen.

"Mark has done a great job with that team and it's a great experience for our wrestlers to come in here and take on a team like that," Aylward said. "We will take our lumps, but matches like this will help us get better."

Tewksbury actually came very close to pulling out this win. A forfeit at the 103 pound level and a loss by pin at the 140 pound level in a match that looked like it would be won easily in a decision cost the Redmen 12 points on a night where they needed every point they could get.

In truth, however, what gave Shawsheen the victory were several wins by fall that gave them a lead that was just too tough for the Redmen to overcome. Winners by fall for the Rams included Tewksbury native Steve Helmer who won by fall at 57 seconds of his match, Joe Ronan (125) in 47 seconds, Joe Galvin (140) at 4:30, Paul Callahan (152) at 1:39 and Tewksbury native Dave Callahan (heavyweight) in 50 seconds. Pete Barry won the aforementioned forfeit at the 103 pound level and Wilmington's Greg Balestrieri won by major decision 12-0.

For Tewksbury, their winners by fall included Tristan Harrington (119) at 4:33, Mike Bourgeois (145) at 2:26, Brian Donahue (160) and Steve Kasprzak (189) at 4:47. Chris Byrne won his match at 215 pounds by an 8-4 decision.

The match of the night as far as a swing in not only momentum but points on the scoreboard had to be the 140 pound clash between Shawsheen freshman Joe Galvin and Tewksbury's Mike Collins. With the score at 28-19 in favor of Shawsheen, Tewksbury desperately needed a win and Collins did his best to make it happen.

Collins took control of the match early taking a 4-1 lead at the end of one period, and extending the lead to 7-1 at the end of two. It looked as if at the very least Tewksbury would wind up with a three point win to draw within six points of the Rams. But Galvin had other ideas, as early in the third period he used a great move to take down Collins and earn the win by fall, giving Shawsheen a six point win and a commanding 34-19 lead.

"He's a tough, hard nosed kid," Donovan said of Galvin. "He never gives up. He has been wrestling in

youth programs since he was eight years old, so he has gained some experience already even though he is just a freshman."

For Aylward, the loss was just another step in the learning process for his team.

"That was an example of a first year guy in Collins losing a tough one, but if you saw him last week you would not believe how much he improved tonight," Aylward said. "He has a great work ethic and is only going to get better. He didn't get out toughed in that match."

That had to be the most exciting match of the night, simply for the comeback aspect of it, but there were many other thrilling matches as well. One of them occurred at the 135 pound level where Tewksbury's Kevin Terrio and Shawsheen's Ryan Winn engaged in a fierce battle that had Terrio holding a slim 7-6 advantage after one period. Terrio had raced to a 5-0 advantage before Winn clawed his way back into the match. But in the second and third period Terrio suddenly established his dominance and the sophomore went on to earn a 19-6 decision.

That win wasn't enough for the Redmen, however, as the Rams held on to earn their second win of the season. Tewksbury residents Dave Callahan and Helmer were instrumental in the win for the Rams.

"Steve is starting to come along real well. He has become a real big leader for this team, and is really starting to wrestle to his potential," Donovan said. "And Dave has been an excellent team leader for me. He is learning what it takes to be a champion. He is a throwback. He has made himself into a great wrestler."

Both teams will now move on into more of their league schedule, with both hoping to continue to improve as the year goes on.

"We are starting to click as a team," Donovan said. "We are starting to realize our unity, and this was a big win for us. If you keep losing it starts to take the wind out of your sails, so this was a big."

Aylward added, "I think our team did a better job tonight than they did in their last match, and this is what we are looking for. If we eliminate mistakes we will just continue to get better."

Lady 'Cats get hooked by the Fishermen

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Giving up four goals in the first period to a winless Gloucester team, wasn't the way the Wilmington High girls' hockey team wanted their home opener to go. Although the Wildcats came back at one point to cut the lead to one goal, head coach Joe McMahon couldn't explain the team's 6-4 loss at Ristuccia Exposition Center.

McMahon was disappointed with his team's play because he said a week earlier they played the best game in the team's three year existence against the sixth rated team in all of Division two in Cambridge. Although the coach's expectations weren't met, certainly the team has improved leaps and bounds from last year. The skating was much better, the passing was better and the team's positioning was improved.

"We didn't come to play in the first period," said McMahon. "The second period wasn't much better either. We came alive in the third period but by then it was too late."

Gloucester came in at 0-4 and they didn't show it as they jumped out to a 3-0 lead with 1:36 left in the first period. That's when McMahon called a timeout to get help from his assistant coaches who were yelling and screaming with echoes being heard throughout the arena. That seemed to get Wilmington energized as off the ensuing face-off, center Maria Tucker won the draw and skated through the two defensemen and tricked a shot past the netminder to make it 3-1.

With 50 seconds left in the period, Gloucester was called for a penalty. Six seconds later with the draw to the left of the Fishermen goalie, McMahon decided to pull his goalie Julie Martell giving the team a two-man advantage. Perhaps if he could do it over again, the coach might not have done that as Gloucester scored an empty-netter just 14 seconds later giving the team a comfortable 4-1 lead after the first 15 minutes of play.

Both teams skated to a scoreless second period, but the 'Cats offense generated several good bids to score. Sophomore defenseman Jen Corcoran had a handful of nice rushes from end-to-end in the game and her first one in the second period eluded to a nice glove hand save by Ashley Shoaresh.

A minute later, Tucker was at the left hand boards inside the Fishermen zone. She sent a pass across to the slot area which was behind linemate Tiffany Zolt. She did a nice job of getting the puck on her backhand and sending a shot on net which was also saved.

"We picked it up in the second period because we stunk in the first," said Zolt.

Gloucester had a great bid to go up by four goals by Martell was up for the challenge stopping a breakaway with an upper body save. In the last period, Wilmington was able to climb back into the game as Corcoran scored on a wrist shot on the tail end of an end-to-end rush with 8:41 left in the game. Less than two minutes later, Wilmington made things interesting when Tucker put in a rebound off a shot from Zolt from the circle.

The game stayed close until a minute left. That's when



IN THE TRENCHES! Wilmington High forward Maria Tucker battles for a loose puck in the corner during Wednesday's 6-4 loss to Gloucester held at Ristuccia Exposition Center. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

Gloucester's Megan MacLeod absolutely rifled a slap shot from the left point which went to the top corner. Martell, who played very good making 19 saves, didn't even flinch as the shot was so hard.

"This wasn't our best game," said tri-captain Jillian Abell. "But we have a lot of work to do at practice—especially on our shooting. But we have nothing to be

embarrassed about. We just have to play better."

Said Corcoran, "We didn't do what we were suppose too. We're not like that, we are a much better team than what we showed today. But we didn't give up."

On Saturday, Wilmington faced one of the better teams in all of the state in all of Division two as Woburn defeated the 'Cats, 10-0.

Boys' basketball team solid as a rock

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Six days after losing their first game of the season, it appeared as if the Wilmington High Wildcat boys' basketball team was heading down the same road in the first seven minutes of Friday's contest against Rockport at home.

Trailing 14-11 with exactly 9 minutes to go in the first half, head coach Jim McCune called a timeout. He had his starting five players on the bench in front of him and he made sure he let each and every one of them know that they weren't playing up to their potential and that they lacked the firepower they have been playing with over the last few years.

What transpired what an incredible 16-0 run with the team utilizing their strengths of the inside game as well as some dynamic passing. That pushed Wilmington to a 27-14 lead as they held Rockport scoreless for 5:05. Although Rockport closed the lead to a basket with 10:04 to go in the game, Wilmington opened the lead back up in the latter eight minutes of the second half which was good enough for their 74-56 victory improving their record to 6-1 overall, and 5-0 in the Cape Ann League.

"We just don't have the firepower from the outside so we recognized where we had to go with the ball," said McCune. "After the timeout, the kids did a very good job of getting the ball [inside]."

Last year the team had three terrific perimeter shooters. This year just Mike Jordan is back and on Thursday he was held in check as Rockport did a very good job of defending him. As they tried to take him away, that opened the door inside where Pat Taylor came alive scoring 27 of his 29 points

after the timeout was called. Thanks to the presence of junior center Zach Mitzan and the passing of Jordan, Taylor was able to light it up with 12 points in the final nine minutes of the first half, while he added 15 points in the second half. On the night he had 29 points and 13 rebounds.

"For Pat to have [those stats] means he did an excellent job," said McCune. "We had to go inside in the pressure situations and the kids came through."

Trailing by three points when McCune took the timeout, Wilmington came alive with the 16-0 run. Mike Kelley and Derek Trueira came off the bench and really provided a spark like they normally do. Kelly scored four points during that stretch including a basket on a nice feed from Trueira, followed by a steal and a lay-up. Actually, Wilmington's defense did struggle at times giving up a total of 56 points which is a high total against a decent team, but at the same breathe the defense scored eight points off steals, with three coming in the critical times during the second half.

The 'Cats held a ten-point lead at halftime, but Rockport climbed back into the game nailing a couple of three-pointers. With the score 41-40 in favor of Wilmington, Dan Hurley provided a spark off the bench by scoring a basket in the paint which was followed seconds later by a steal and lay-up by Jordan. He ended the night with 17 points, and also had a handful of steals and assists.

"I didn't realize he had 17 points," said McCune. "Mike certainly everything he could out of this game because there wasn't much there for him."

Several minutes later, Wilmington led by five points and were able to open things up. Taylor made a nice move in the post and scored the basket and also was fouled and that shot was good. Seconds later, Eric Ollila came up with a steal and his give-and-go with Jordan was pretty to watch with Ollila finishing what he started to and that opened the lead to eight points. Two minutes later, Wilmington put the game away as Ryan Tildsley hit nothing but net on a three-pointer from the left wing corner pushing the lead to double digits.

Besides the 46 combined points from Taylor and Jordan, Tildsley was the third player in double figures as he poured in ten. Mitzan finished with 6 points and 9 rebounds.

"That's a solid win over a team that will beat some other teams," said McCune. "Rockport was tough. They have some good outside shooters and they are going to win their share of games. We're 5-0 in the league now and we have a tough stretch upcoming."

blasted their way through the third round. Cushing won by a pin, and Sorrentino came from behind to win the match by a decision in the third period. Cushing lost a heartbreaker in the consolation round to finish fourth. Sorrentino won his final match to take third place.

In the Seven-Eight division, James Ham and Keith Quigley did their best, and lasted until the fourth and third rounds respectively. Brian Sullivan was pinned in the first match, but came back to pin his opponent in the second. He lost by a decision in his third match.

Nathan Clarkin and John Bayouty were pushed into a higher weight class and both wrestled opponents who were 30 pounds heavier. The pair took third and fourth place.

Capt. Phil Minghella again took honors as Wilmington's most skilled wrestler. Competing in a crowded weight class, he won his first match by a 3-2 margin. Then, he lost a tough second round on a decision before winning his final three, garnering a third place.

Thanks again to coaches Bonnell, Sullivan and DiPasquale for giving up a Sunday to guide the Wilmington team!

Track teams finally back at it

By SIOBHAN L. WALSH
Sports Correspondent

As we all wait in earnest for the snowy skies to reveal the forgotten sun, perhaps we can be thankful for at least one small fact in this already too long winter: At least, we don't have to run relays and train for meets in the snow. The Wilmington indoor track teams are not quite so fortunate.

Trudging in snow has become almost normal this winter, now part of the daily regimen as the teams press on even in these weary conditions.

The girls, it would seem, have the better of the two deals. Second year coach Meghan Donahue has her team run on the slick, icy sidewalks and moves practice indoors to the grueling school stairs and corridors if conditions are especially poor.

On the other side, long term boys' coach Bob Cripps opts for the snow-filled fields, hoping that the "deep stuff" in the meadows has the same elongating effect on muscles as running on soft sand at the beach.

"We're a pretty sick crew," jokes Cripps of his boys team, though he quickly adds that, "Morale is very high. Attendance has been phenomenal; [We] still have about fifty kids coming to practice everyday."

The reality is that despite harsh winter conditions, the indoor season

continues to roll on. Because of cancellations and the Christmas holidays, both boys and girls teams have the bulk of their seasons remaining as they move forward into January. Running in the snow will be the norm for awhile to come, especially with the State relays looming a week from this Saturday.

Both teams will get back on track literally today as they face off against North Reading at Andover. For the boys, the meet will be only the second of the year. It's been almost a full month now since the team opened their season with an impressive win at Ipswich, beating their competitors 47-39, while sweeping the distance events.

"Considering the fact that we don't run in any facility like [the smaller indoor track in Ipswich], I was very pleased with the way the team performed [in the opening meet]," said Cripps. "We are very strong."

With the cancellation of last Saturday's meet at Masconomet, it's been a little difficult to gauge exactly how strong the team is, but Cripps is confident that his boys will, at the very least, be in the mix for the remainder of the season. Today at North Reading, he expects they will dominate in the distance events and

high jump, fall a little short in the sprinting events and shot-put, and then hopefully eek out a win on the strength of their relay team.

Meanwhile, the girls team enters today's meet hoping to run away with their second win of the year. After opening the season with a victory against Triton, the girls record fell even when they lost to Ipswich away.

"The trackateria (smaller track in gym/cafe) and air quality at Ipswich are really poor, so we really didn't perform well at the last meet," said Donahue.

The coach is concerned that her team isn't in as good shape this year, as a result of snowy conditions interfering with workout schedules.

"It's definitely been a challenge, especially compared to last year when we had such a mild winter. Luckily, we've remained injury free."

Still Donahue recognizes that the odds are even enough when you consider that most teams are dealing with Mother Nature's downfalls.

"The meet against North Reading should be a really good competitive meet. I think that we are going to be pretty even, so if the girls strive for their best performances, it should be a great competition."

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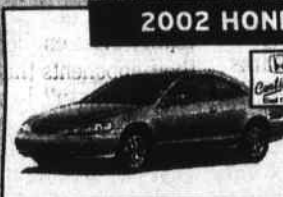
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LOOKING TO PASS! Wilmington High defenseman Derek Montalto skates ahead with the puck during a recent Wildcat ice hockey game. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

Pee Wee C's skating hard

The Wilmington Pee Wee C's, sponsored by Brother's Pizza, were kept busy during the holiday weeks with games in both the Valley League and Dual State League.

S&S 3, Wilmington 0

The Pee Wee C's started their Christmas vacation with a Monday morning game at the Ristuccia Center against the S&S B squad. Unfortunately for Wilmington, the Salem and Swampscott combo team were not in the giving mood as they skated away with a 3-0 victory over the Wildcats.

Wilmington actually controlled the 1st period as each line that came over the boards kept the pressure in the Blades zone. Strong fore-checking by the forwards and reliable play by the defensemen at the points enabled Wilmington to keep the puck in the offensive end most of the period. However, even with good puck control, the checking of the S&S team kept Wilmington from getting very many shots. The one time S&S broke out of their zone, Wilmington backed up and allowed a long shot to get through giving S&S a 1-0 lead in a period which the Wildcats deserved a better fate.

The hitting picked up in the 2nd period by both teams but S&S received most of the scoring chances. Goaltender Zach Rosa made a nice stick save on a 2-on-1 break. Defenseman Paul Martel got back on a breakaway to knock the puck away on another play. Brendan Foley also broke up a Blade forward streaking down ice. These plays helped keep the period scoreless as Wilmington's one real chance came as Kevin Carter broke away only to have to the buzzer ring, ending the period before he could get his shot off.

The Wildcats looked like they may get on the board early in the 3rd period as Carter combined with Phil D'Arcangelo and Alan-Michael Santos to put some pressure on the Blades netminder. Santos' clean shot was stopped and S&S broke out. When the Wildcats failed to clear the puck, an S&S forward in front lifted a high shot into the net to make the score 2-0.

At 6:59 S&S lifted the puck towards the net and a forward in front directed it in for a 3-0 lead. That was all the

Blades would need as Wilmington was unable to come back. They never really got a chance to test the goaltender as S&S expertly checked and harassed the Wilmington puck carriers. The fore-checking of S&S forced Wilmington to make several passing miscues late in the game and ultimately led the Blades to victory.

Wilmington 3, Medford 2

The first of two games on the Saturday after Christmas took place at Hockeytown with a Dual State game against Medford. The 1st period flew by with only one whistle and saw only one shot on net by either team. Wilmington's Zach Rosa made the save to keep the period scoreless. The Wildcats got their first shot on net early in the 2nd period when Chris Thibault sent Steve Wamboldt in for a quick shot but the Medford goalie came up with a big pad save. Medford got on the board first when a far left side shot found its way into the net at 7:46. Wilmington came back at 4:47 when Ryan Kennedy skated out of the corner with the puck and put a high shot past the netminder to tie the game at 1-1.

Strong work behind the net by Stephano Santini and Alan-Michael Santos resulted in them getting the puck out front to Scott Benard who popped in the score to put Wilmington ahead 2-1 with 2:17 left in the period. Medford tied the game at 8:33 of the 3rd period when a backhand centering pass deflected off Rosa's skate and into the net. Two standup checks by defenseman Jared Hayes broke up plays during the period and kept Medford from mounting an attack.

At the 1:08 mark Santos and Benard combined to break up a Medford rush at center ice and get the puck up to Santini. Santini fired home the game winner as the Wildcats took this well played game 3-2.

Wakefield 3, Wilmington 2

An hour after the Medford game ended, the Pee Wee C's headed back home to the Ristuccia Center to take on the Wakefield B squad in Valley League play. Although they played well, shots were hard to come by and Wilmington was edged out 3-2. Wakefield scored twice in the 1st period. One goal came at 7:39 when Wilmington failed to clear the puck and gave the opposition too many chances to score. Their second came at 8:03 when the puck was jammed in with a crowd in the crease and no whistle blowing.

The Wildcats came back early in the 2nd period at 10:29. With Jon See causing havoc in front of the net, Stephano Santini's low hand shot beat the goalie to make it a 2-1 game. Wilmington almost tied it up shortly after that but shots by Ryan Kennedy and Alan-Michael Santos both hit off the crossbar. Goaltender Zach Rosa came up with several big stops in the period, especially while Wilmington was killing a 5-on-3 Wakefield powerplay.

Wilmington tied the game at 2-2 at 3:36 of the 3rd period when defenseman Charles Barbaro broke up a Wakefield play and moved the puck up to Santini. Santini found See in front of the net and See put it home for the score. It only took seventeen seconds for Wakefield to take the lead back as a quick shot from the right side beat Rosa for what turned out to be the game winner. In the final minutes of play Rosa made several good stops and defenseman Paul Martel broke up a rushing forward but Wakefield's fore-checking kept Wilmington from being able to pull Rosa for the extra skater and they never got the chance for the equalizer.

Wilmington 4, Haverill 2

A major winter storm on Friday night kept some players from getting to Tyngsboro for their Dual State encounter with the Haverill B team. Enough hearty souls did make it however for the Wildcats to skate away with a 4-2 victory. Steve Wamboldt had the hat trick with assists to Charles Barbaro and Kevin Carter. Stephano Santini scored Wilmington's first goal

unassisted.

Billerica 3, Wilmington 2
Anyone seated at the Ristuccia Center late Sunday afternoon was treated to a very exciting and well played game between Wilmington and Billerica. Billerica's only on-ice loss this season came at the hands of the Wildcats back in November and since then the Indians have cruised to 1st place in the Red East Division of the Valley League.

The 1st period action was up and down the ice with Wilmington's Zach Rosa and his Billerica counterpart in net being tested. The line of Stephano Santini, Kevin Carter, and Alan-Michael Santos displayed some excellent fore-checking as they kept Billerica hemmed in their zone for a sustained period of time. Billerica got on the board first at 2:34 when they caught Wilmington in a line change, broke in and scored. The Wildcats evened it up at 7:26 of the 2nd period when Santini made a beautiful drop pass to the trailer, Carter and he snapped it past the goaltender.

A Billerica forward slipped by and moved across the front of the net and tried to slip one past Rosa but Rosa's quick glove stopped him. Rosa was aided by some heads up back-checking by forwards Ryan Kennedy, Doris McCann, Phil D'Arcangelo, Chris Thibault, Steve Wamboldt, and Jon See. The defense of Jared Hayes, Charles Barbaro, Scott Benard, Brendan Foley, and Paul Martel all contributed with steady play in the defensive zone as well as strong showing at the points on offense. With four minutes left in the period a powerplay for the Indians was thwarted by excellent penalty-killing by the team of Carter, Santini, Hayes, and Barbaro. Carter's fore-checking skills kept the play deep in the Billerica end.

Billerica exhibited some good fore-checking of their own in the 3rd period as they once again tested Rosa. Rosa made all the necessary saves until 6:43 of the period when a Billerica floater at center-ice took a clearing pass and rushed in alone, putting on a nice move to give the Indians the 2-1 lead. The lead didn't last long though as good corner work by Santini got the puck out front to Carter who scored his second goal of the game at 6:06. Billerica didn't waste time after the ensuing face-off to turn on the offense: sive jets again and it took a great defensive play by Barbaro and Benard getting back to foil a breakaway to stop them.

Both teams played well in this game and skated hard throughout and it would have been nice to see both teams awarded a point in this one. Billerica, however, had other plans as right after a face-off in the Wildcat end, a forward used a backhanded flip to score at 0:57. Wilmington pulled Rosa for the final seconds but were unable to get the shot needed to even the score and dropped a heartbreaker, 3-2.

The Pee Wee C's will be in action again with a late Friday evening Dual State game against MYRHA at Skale 3 and then travel to Malden early Sunday morning for a Valley League matchup with Melrose.

Pee Wee IV's face Cape Ann

On December 31st, the last day of '02, the Wildcat Pee Wee IV youth hockey team had an appointment with the first place Cape Ann 3 team! A tough game was expected with the first meeting going to Cape Ann 6-4, but the Cats played tough.

Starting the game the Cats came out flying. John Moriarty started the scoring within a minute putting a nice high wrist shot in the net. Cape Ann tied it up late in the period but the Cats were right there stride for stride.

Second period play saw the Cape Ann team storm out at the Cats! Kyle Gaffey and Justin Rivera played sound defense against the onslaught. Cape Ann took the lead on a close in fight for the puck to put the pressure on! After the goal Steve Cadigan calmed down and tools over in the stop department!

In the third Sean Tavares and Tom Callahan showed great defensive prowess stopping the Cape Ann attacks. Tim Patrie knocked his first in being in the fight spot with John and Sammy Grant fighting to get the puck out front!

Tim Patrie got his second midway through with Sam and Dean Moran getting the puck out to him.

With the game 3-2 Cats the Cape Ann team really picked it up. Steve Cadigan stood on his head and played stellar goaltending, along with his defense's help. Taking the pressure off Tim Martin and Dean Moran moved the puck up to Corey Lee who fought all the way to their net and slid the puck in. Cape Ann never gave up while really putting on the pressure but the Cats took the challenge and held them off. Cats 4-2.

Great game, good way to end the year. Thanks Constant Temp for supporting us:
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Sferrazza steals the show

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

There's probably not too many times in a hockey coach's career when he can say his team faced 60 shots in one game and tied, and then a few days later had 13 penalties including three misconducts and came away with a 4-0 victory. Well Wilmington High boys' hockey coach Steve Scanlon saw that happen to his team this past week. Last Monday they faced Division 1 opponent Peabody in the second round of the Haverhill Christmas tournament and the Cats were able to pull off a 3-3 tie, despite senior goalie Paul Sferrazza making 57 saves.

"They were all over us," said Scanlon. "We were lucky to get out of there with a tie and we really had a chance to win it. Once again Paul was awesome in the net. Peabody's a very good team. They have two really quick lines, two good defensemen and a huge goalie, who is also good."

Wilmington led 1-0 after the first period as Zack Wilkins netted an unassisted goal at the 8:58 mark. Ed Tucker upped the lead to 2-0 in the second period as he was set-up by freshman Tony Resendes. Peabody cut the lead in half just 16 seconds left in the period as Kevin Osbourne was finally able to crack one past Sferrazza as he was set up by Josh Shalin and Mark Addorisio. Wilmington was outshot 22-4 in the second period, and 43-12 through two periods but somehow had a 2-1 lead.

That lead evaporated just 39 seconds into the third period as Dan Marchese tied things up for Peabody with an unassisted goal. Peabody took the lead at the 8:39 mark as Anthony Pamieri scored a power play goal. But with 4:02 left in the game, Wilmington tied the game up at 3-3 as Tucker scored with assists going to Resendes and defenseman Kevin Tobin.

On Saturday afternoon, Wilmington faced North Andover at

Merrimack College and defeated them 4-0. With the win, the 'Cats improved to 4-3-1 overall, while they are 4-2-0 in the league and currently have the first place spot all to themselves. With the loss, North Andover falls to 1-3-2 on the season.

"The game was filled with penalties," said Scanlon. "We had 13 with three misconducts and they had 8 with one misconduct. Some of it was because of the rivalry these two teams have, but some of it was dumb penalties and some of

it was the referees over [doing it]. We scored twice on the power play and Paul was solid in the net again."

Dave DeMango scored two goals, while Wilkins added one and George Dighton tabbed his first of his varsity career. Tucker picked up two assists, while Sferrazza grabbed the shut out as he made 20 saves.

"We have a big week upcoming with Triton and Pentucket," said Scanlon.

Squirt E's play two games

The Wilmington Squirt E's sponsored by Nocella Paving played back to back games recently. A Valley League game was played in Wilmington at 7:10 followed by a Dual State game in Everett at 9:20.

The Valley League game, against Agawam B, saw first period had action at both ends, but ended without a score. The second started out the same way until Wilmington got mixed up on a line change and Agawam capitalized. Agawam then scored two more goals to end the period up 3-0.

The Wildcats finally got on the board with 6:38 left in the third when Nick Pino rushed up ice and shot one by the goalie. Then, 22 seconds later Agawam scored again to go up 4-1. The good thing about the Wildcats is that they don't quit. With a little over three minutes left, Jared Ravagni took a pass from Pino and put it in the net.

Coach Foley pulled his goalie with a minute and a half left in the third. Pino scored, assisted by Ravagni and Tom Shafer. Agawam got a penalty with 37 seconds left so Wilmington pulled their goalie with 19 seconds left in the game, tied it up. Ravagni scored assisted by Trevor Foley and Tom Shafer.

Ryan Maskell was in net for Wilmington and played well. He

shut them down in the first period and even though he had a tough second he came back. Other than one goal in the third, Maskell was able to stop Agawam from scoring any more.

Wilmington had three forward lines. Line one had Tom Shafer and Linden Hayes centered by Nick Pino. Line two had Trevor Foley at center with Jared Ravagni and Jake Strocumoro on the wings. The third line had Jeffrey Goosens centering Joey Russell and Zach Gosselin. They all played well, keeping good pressure on Agawam's goalie for most of the game. The lines were switched around at some point but it didn't matter who played together, they still gave it their all.

The defense had four players Frankie Mearls, Bobby Carlin, Matt Toto and Joey Walsh. They played great keeping some pressure off Maskell. Other than the few minutes in the second the defense was in control and helped keep the puck out of their zone and in the hands of the forwards. They kept the puck in Agawam's end when our net was empty and could have resulted in an easy goal and that's one of the things that makes them special.

The second game of the day

was a Dual State game against Winchester IV. It was not as exciting as the earlier game, but with a 2-0 victory the team was happy with the result.

Ryan Maskell was again in net, this time coming away with a shut-out.

The first goal was scored when Bobby Carlin passed the puck up ice, Tom Shafer got it in the corner and passed it to Nick Pino who shot it past the goalie. The score stayed that way until 2:46 left in the third when Wilmington scored again. Maskell, our goalie, passed the puck to Carlin who passed it to Ravagni who rushed up ice and made a great shot to put the Wildcats up 2-0 and that's how the game ended.

The game was much slower than the first which was ok with the Wildcats who had just come from the tie with Agawam. Everyone stayed in the same position except the forwards went with two centers and three sets of wingers.

The defense was the same four as earlier. The victory was the result of great team work and as a parent of the other team said they are well coached. He said they have their heads up, make good passes and play well as a team. That was a great compliment and what makes the team successful.

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Squirt D's overtake Nashoba

During last week the Wilmington Squirt D hockey team, sponsored by Darmody, Merlino & Company, won one, lost one, and tied one.

Wilmington 5, Nashoba 1

The Dual State game on December 26, 2002, was dominated by Wilmington. The Cats were never behind in this game as they scored two unanswered goals in the first period. The first goal was from Brett Meuse who intercepted a pass in front of his own net, skated in, and placed the shot between the goalie's legs.

The second goal came from Frankie Cerbone, assisted by Gordie Fitch, when Cerbone placed the rebound in the net. Cerbone consistently holds his position in front of the net. Nashoba got one back in the second but the Cats put in three more, making the final score 5-1 Wilmington.

Kelly Brandano, assisted by Cerbone, placed a shot, while diving, in the upper right-hand corner of the net. The Cats fourth goal came from Brian Callahan when Callahan tipped a nice pass from Tyler MacInnis. MacInnis put the last goal in the net off a nice pass from Brandano and Sara Alonardo. In the Wildcat's net was an impressive Nick Luise facing 18 shots.

Woburn 3, Wilmington 1

The Cats don't seem to get the bounces in the Valley League games. They played an aggressive game, on December 28, 2002, but the Woburn team prevailed. Nick Luise once again was in net for the Cats stopping many Woburn shots. The Cats were down 2-0 when Brandon Munro put the Cats on

the scoreboard. Munro tipped in a shot fired from the point by Brett Meuse. Woburn didn't put the game away until the Cats pulled their goalie. The game was a great effort by all.

Wilmington 3, Methuen 3

This Valley League game, on December 31, 2002, was a rematch of a prior game which also ended in a tie. The Cats were anxious to come out with a win but had to settle for tie. Methuen lead the game by two when Sara Alonardo put the rebound in from a Meuse shot on net. Methuen made it 3-1 when Meuse broke-up the Methuen offensive rush, skated-in, faking everyone out, and slammed a wrist shot into the net.

With the score now 2-3, Wilmington dominated the third period keeping the puck in their offensive zone for the majority of the period. Their perseverance paid off when Michael Ciampa took a shot from the left point and snuck it past the goalie. Ciampa's goal was assisted by Cameron Babine. Nick Luise made a couple of awesome

saves in the third period to keep this one at a tie.

Coach Glen MacInnis, along with his assistant coaches Tony Alonardo, Gordie Fitch, and Mike Ciampa kept mixing up the offensive and defensive lines for all three games. The Wilmington defense of Meuse, Ryan Brothers, Ciampa, Gordon Fitch, Munro, Connor Brennan, once again was strong in protecting Luise. Joe Favuzza and Jimmy O'Neill also assisted with the offense.

Pee Wee IV's in dive into tough play

Thursday morning the Wilmington PeeWee IV's took on No. Andover on a snowy post Christmas Day! Hockey may not have been the tops on their mind in the locker room but once the game started they dove right into the fray!

In the first the Cats took it right at No. Andover, forcing the play down in a snowy post Christmas Day! Hockey may not have been the tops on their mind in the locker room but once the game started they dove right into the fray!

Second period play started with the Cats again going right after No. Andover. Chris Colosimo and Justin Rivera played pretty defense getting several shots on net in the offensive zone while rushing the puck smartly! Steve Piscatelli and Andrew Flodin fought hard down low allowing John Moriarty to get the puck and score on a nice wrist shot.

Third action had No. Andover squeak one in but the play was still in the Cats hands! Kyle Gaffey and Sean



Congratulations to the Wilmington Pee Wee A team for going 5-0 in the Hanover, N.H. Thanksgiving Tournament and capturing first place.

Pictured, back row: Jason Yeomelakis, Coach Paul Wilkins, Mike Wilkins, Evan Brennan, Assistant Coach John Cushing, Eric Siegel, Brian Svensson, Timmy Cushing, Assistant Coach Warren Fitzpatrick.

Front row: Nick Robarge, Michael Robarge, Corey Tobin, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Sean Fay, Ernie Mello, Nick Riccio.

Tavares played strong defense while also keeping the play alive constantly in the offensive zone. Steve Cadigan again played a strong game in net making several outstanding saves at critical times. Many offensive chances, but the Cats were stymied by the No. Andover goalie, excellent game none-the-less; 1-1 tie.

Thanks Constant Temp for your support. Go Cats!!

Wilmington Pee Wee IV's drop a tough one to Cambridge II PeeWee team! Momentum through the game certainly went the Cats' way, but they couldn't put Cambridge away.

Early on, Cambridge snuck on in but Sam Grant and Andrew Flodin fought hard getting the assists on John Moriarty's pretty goal.

Late in the second Sam and Andrew again fighting down low got the puck on excellent passing to John for his second. Steve Piscatelli, Corey Lee, Tom Callahan, and Dean Moran played well offensively but were stymied by

the Cambridge goaltender! Kyle Gaffey, Chris Colosimo, Justin Rivera, Sean Tavares and Mat Goodland played smart defense slowing most of Cambridge's attacks! Steve Cadigan played great in goal stopping several

tough shots. Unfortunately Cambridge squeaked one in late to tie the game and an ill advised Cats penalty sealed their fate. Cambridge 3, Cats 2.

Thanks again Constant Temp for your support of W.Y.H. Go Cats!

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



MASSACHUSETTS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Wilmington is requesting proposals from qualified technical advisors to validate the date, assumptions, judgments and conclusions contained in documents, which address contamination on properties in the vicinity of the Maple Meadow Aquifer. The appropriate technical advisor will have knowledge and experience in the areas of hydrogeology, chemistry, fate and transport modeling and with experience interpreting groundwater contamination data. Copies of the Request for Proposals (RFP) are available in the Town Manager's Office, Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Separate price and non-price proposals shall be received in the Town Manager's Office, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 31, 2003. Technical advisors shall submit one (1) sealed price proposal marked "Price Proposal for South Wilmington Water Study" and six (6) non-price proposals marked "Non-price Proposal for South Wilmington Water Study." Each sealed proposal shall clearly identify the consultant's name and business address. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals deemed not in the best interest of the Town. Award of a contract to perform the services detailed in this RFP are subject to the availability of funding.

Michael A. Cairra
J8;3116 Town Manager

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Charles Quinton to Washington Mutual Bank, F.A. dated September 30, 1999, and recorded in the Middlesex County (North District) Registry of Deeds in Book 10439, Page 226, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at public auction at 11:00 a.m. on Friday the 24th day of January, 2003, on the mortgaged premises located at 2 Summer Street, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the real estate described in said mortgage as follows:

*.....the following described property located in Middlesex County, Massachusetts:

Exhibit A
Property
Address: 2 Summer Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887.

That certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts and shown as Lot 1A on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Wilmington, Mass. Prepared for Larry Walsh, Scale: 1" = 40', Dated: July 1, 1999, Troy, Mede & Associates, 936 East St., Tewksbury, MA, "which said plan is recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds herewith, and said lot 1A is more particularly bounded and described according to said plan as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY by Summer Street, as shown on said plan, 463.06 feet to a point, thence along a curve, as shown on said plan, a distance of 33.41 feet;

NORTHWESTERLY by Parcel A, as shown on said plan, on three courses, measuring 30.00 feet, 15.47 feet and 124.54 feet, respectively;

NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 1B, as shown on said plan, 216.65 feet to a point thence by Parcel B, as shown on said plan, 179.43 feet; and

SOUTHEASTERLY by Cobalt Street, as shown on said plan, 120.77 feet.

Said Lot 1A containing 68,753 square feet of land according to said plan.

Being the same premises conveyed to the mortgagor by deed from Lawrence E. Walsh and

Pauline L. Walsh recorded herewith. Which has the address of 2 Summer Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887 ("Property Address");

TOGETHER WITH all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property"....

Said premises will be sold subject to and/or with the benefit of any and all restrictions, easements, improvements, covenants, outstanding tax title, municipal or other public taxes, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage, if any there be.

Said premises will also be sold subject to all leases and tenancies having priority over said mortgage, to tenancies or occupations by persons on the premises now or at the time of the said auction which tenancies or occupations are subject to said mortgage, to rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants or former tenants now located on the premises, and also to all laws and ordinances including, but not limited to, all building and zoning laws and ordinances.

THE TERMS OF SALE: FIVE THOUSAND and 00/100 (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS will be required to be paid in cash or certified check by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, and the balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash or certified check in or within thirty five (35) days thereafter with Attorneys Stanton & Davis, 1000 Plain Street, Marshfield, Massachusetts. The successful bidder at the sale of the premises shall be required to sign a Memorandum of Sale of Real Property by Auctioneer containing the above terms at the Auction sale.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the time and place of the sale.

SIGNED: WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A.
Present Holder of Said Mortgage
By: STANTON & DAVIS

As its Attorneys
From the offices of:
Jon S. Davis, Esquire
STANTON & DAVIS
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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES

Notice is hereby given that Articles for inclusion in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting to be held April 26, 2003, must be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office, Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, no later than 4:30 p.m. on February 7, 2003.

Robert J. Cain, Chairman
J8,15,22;3115 Board of Selectmen

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

THE TRIAL COURT Probate and Family Court Department

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. 02P5742EP1

In the Estate of Donald R. Howard late of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex. Date of Death November 8, 2002.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that Shelby Woods of Somerville in the County of Middlesex be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, Acting, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, December 23, 2002.

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Thomas J. Rogers and Lisa A. Ferrari to Assurance Mortgage Corporation of America, dated December 4, 1996 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 8340, Page 42, of which mortgage Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 a.m. on January 24, 2003, on the mortgaged premises located at 106 Woburn Street, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

TO WIT:

The land with the buildings thereon situated in said Wilmington being shown as Lot A on a plan entitled "Definitive Subdivision Plan of Barrows Park, Wilmington, Mass. Owned by Jackson Brothers, Inc." dated February 9, 1966, K. J. Miller Co., Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors, recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Book of Plans 104, Plan 10, Sheet 2, and bounded and described as follows:

WESTERLY by Woburn Street, one hundred thirty-one and 38/100 (131.38) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of Rounds and land of Ford as shown on said plan, in two courses measuring respectively, eighty-five and 07/100 (85.07) feet and one hundred thirteen and 75/100 (113.75) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY, EASTERLY AND NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 46, as shown on said plan, in two courses measuring respectively, four and 70/100 (4.70) feet and one hundred four and 72/100 (104.72) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY, by Lots 37 and 38, as shown on said plan, sixty-one and 65/100 (61.65) feet; and

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 2, as

shown on said plan, one hundred ninety-seven and 70/100 (197.70) feet.

Containing 25, 889 square feet of land according to said plan.

Hereby granted with the right to use the streets and ways shown on said plan for all purposes for which streets and ways are customarily used in the Town of Wilmington in common with others legally entitled thereto.

For mortgagors title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 8111, Page 209.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C. 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

Present holder of said mortgage By its Attorneys

HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.

Megan C. O'Keefe, Esquire

150 California Street

Newton, MA 02458

J1,8,15;3109 (617) 558-0500

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

THE TRIAL COURT Probate and Family Court Department

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. 02D4115 DVI

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

Maria A. Desantis, Plaintiff

v.

Gregor C. Former, Defendant

Upon motion of plaintiff for an order directing Gregor C. Former the defendant herein, to appear, plead, or answer, in accordance with Mass. R. Civ. P./Mass. R. Dom. Rel. P. Rule 4, it appearing to the Court that this is an action for divorce.

Pursuant to Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411, an Automatic Restraining Order has been entered against the above named parties, and that the said defendant cannot be found within the Commonwealth and that his/her present whereabouts are unknown; that personal service on said defendant is therefore not practicable, and that said defendant has not voluntarily appeared in this action:

It is Ordered that said defendant is directed to appear, plead, answer, or otherwise move with respect to the complaint herein on or before the 17th day of March, 2003. If you fail to do so this Court will proceed to a hearing and adjudication of this matter.

It is further Ordered that the accompanying summons be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Town Crier, beginning the week of December 30, 2002 a newspaper published in Wilmington the publication to be seven days at least before said return day. It is further Ordered that a copy of the summons be mailed to the defendant at his/her last known address by registered or certified mail:

Beverly Weinger Boorstein
Acting Justice of Probate and Family Court
J1,8,15;3112 Date Dec. 13, 2002

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN MEETING

OLIN CORPORATION SITE

51 EAMES STREET, WILMINGTON, MA

RTN: 3-0471

Olin Corporation received a petition from residents in Woburn and Wilmington, requesting this location be designated as a Public Involvement Plan site, in accordance with MGL c.21E.14(a). This law requires that, upon receiving such a petition, a plan for involving the public in decisions regarding remedial response actions must be prepared and a public meeting to present the proposed plan held.

Olin Corporation designated this site as a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) site on October 8th, 2002. A public meeting will be held at the offices of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, on Thursday January 23rd, 2003, at 4pm, to present the Draft Public Involvement Plan, and to provide an update on planning for remedial actions at the site. Copies of the draft Public Involvement Plan will be made available at the meeting.

Any questions regarding this meeting or the Public Involvement Plan should be directed to Steve Morrow, Olin Corporation, P.O. Box 248, 1186 Lower River Road, NW, Charleston, TN 37310-0248, at (423) 336 4000 or (800) 295 6141.

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Mite B's win Reading tourney

The day after Christmas, the Wilmington Firefighters' sponsored Mite B's took on the Reading 'C' team in the first round of the Holiday Tournament in Reading. The Wildcats again jumped out to an early lead as Brendan McDonough took a pass from Zack Blanch at the forty-second mark. Just over four minutes later, Eric Masiello made it 2-0 with an assist to Chris Piscatelli.

The second period saw the Cats extend their lead to 3-0 as Jay Rossetti scored with assists to line mates Zack Blanch and Brendan McDonough. The Rockets' Matt Biron scored at the end of the period to close the gap to two. That goal was quickly erased forty-three seconds into the third period as Chris Piscatelli won the face-off in the Reading zone to Andrew Camillieri, who put it in the back of the net. Twenty-four seconds later, Andrew notched his second goal with another assist to Chris Piscatelli and to Eric Masiello.

Reading's Matt McLelland set up Matt Hagan to make it 5-2. With just over three minutes remaining, Eric Masiello scored for the second time in the game as Chris Piscatelli recorded his fourth assist. Wildcat goalie, Dan Luise made a number of outstanding saves to preserve the 6-3 victory.

Friday morning saw a Valley League match against the Woburn 'B' squad. Chris Piscatelli got things started for the Cats with an assist going to Eric Masiello. Next up was Nolan Gaffey banging home the rebound of a Matt Curran shot in the last minute of the first period.

The Tanners finally penetrated the excellent goaltending of Dan Luise to close the gap to 2-1 four minutes into period number two. Later in the stanza, Ryan Kennedy sent in Alex Harrington on a breakaway to close out the period with a 3-1 lead.

The third period saw an explosion of goals, with the first one being the sweetest. Brendan McDonough made a nice pass out of the corner to Zack Blanch at the edge of the face-off circle. He slid a nice pass across the front of the net to Jay Rossetti all alone out front to give the Cats a 4-1 lead. Sixteen seconds later, Jay set up Brendan to up the lead to 5-1.

Woburn's Connors scored to close the gap to three. With just under three minutes to play, Chris Piscatelli notched his second of the game with an assist to Conor Ryan. Next came Brendan McDonough scoring his second and third goals of the game, both unassisted and only eleven seconds apart. Andrew Camillieri scored the ninth Wildcat goal with fifty seconds to play with Chris Piscatelli assisting. The Tanners scored one more time for the 9-3 final.

Round two of the Holiday Tournament in Reading on Saturday morning came against the Andover 'C' team. The game started with the Wildcats putting tremendous pressure on the Andover net but failing to capitalize until the nine-minute mark when Eric Masiello

scored on assists from Andrew Camillieri and Chris Piscatelli. Andover's Justin Brosnan tied it at one a minute later.

The second period saw Andover take their turn putting pressure on the Wilmington net. Despite a number of outstanding saves by goalie Dan Luise, Andover netted three goals as Brendan McDonough scored the only Cat goal of the middle period. With an assist to Zack Blanch, Brendan scored his second of the game to make it 4-3. Nick Ardagna of Andover made it a two goal lead again just a minute later. Some hard work by Jay Rossetti, assisted by Brendan McDonough, put the Cats to within one with eight minutes still to play.

The Wildcats again turned up the pressure only to be frustrated by a post, a couple of deflections by the defense and particularly the Andover net minder. The 5-4 loss put the Cats at 1-1 for the tournament.

In a Dual State match-up on Sunday morning, the Mite B's took on the Everett 'B' team in Everett. The Wildcats got on the scoreboard just over two minutes into the game as Dan Luise set up Brendan McDonough. Conor Ryan, unassisted, scored the other goal of the period. Conor started the scoring in the second period as Andrew Camillieri sent him in alone with a nice pass. That was the start of a six goal onslaught in the period.

Next up was Ryan Kennedy, assisted by Chris Piscatelli. Tyler Maffei then set up Brendan McDonough for his second of the game. An unassisted, short-handed goal by Killian Smith made it 6-0. With just over two minutes left Dan Luise scored with assists to line mates Jay Rossetti and Brendan McDonough. Twenty seconds later Jay Rossetti scored with an assist to Tyler Maffei.

The third period was more of the same as the Wildcats netted six more goals. Forty seconds in, saw Brendan Healy scoring, assisted by line mates Tyler Trites and Ryan Kennedy. Ryan then scored his second of the game with assists to Brendan Healy and Chris Piscatelli. Halfway through the period, Killian Smith notched his second on a pass from Conor Ryan.

A minute later, Conor went in alone to complete his hat trick. Defenseman Tyler Maffei then notched his third assist of the game on Brendan McDonough's hat trick goal. With fifteen seconds left, Brendan lit the lamp for the fourth time. The Wildcat net minder, Matt Curran wasn't called upon very often, but made a couple of excellent saves when challenged to preserve his second shutout of the season.

The late Sunday afternoon tilt came at home against the Reading 'B' team in a Valley League game. With what seems to be becoming a habit for this team, the Wildcats jumped out to the early lead as Ryan Kennedy banged one home with an assist to Tyler Trites at the fourteen-second mark.

Squirt B's rebound nicely

The Wilmington Squirt B hockey had their New Year's cheer dampened a bit with a loss to Dover on the first day of the year, but then managed to recover nicely with much needed wins last Friday and Sunday.

The 4-1 loss to Dover, NH in Valley League play on New Year's Day came on the heels of a 9-1 shellacking at the hands of Haverhill. Those two defeats were in stark contrast to the 26 game winning streak the team enjoyed in 2002 before being eventually elevated to the Blue North Division.

Wilmington got its lone goal in the year opening loss to Dover on a hard bouncing shot from the blueline by able defenseman Johnny Malone. The first period score left Wilmington on the short end of what, at the time, was a slim 2-1 deficit that lasted through the second period, but Dover turned it on in the third to strike two more times to cinch the 4-1 win.

Friday's turnaround win was a Dual State contest that ended with the B's downing Nashua 3-1 on three second period goals from Pat Young, David Sugrue and Cole Carter. Young got his when Cole Carter and Brian Couty paired up to move the puck into the Panthers' zone and Young then took over and finessed it the rest of the way for a pretty score. Sugrue's ace came on a nifty follow-up to a Jimmy Stokes shot. Carter then knuckled-balled his way in with a backhand from way outside that caught the tip of the goalie's stick before continuing down and

sliding under the pads.

Sunday the Cats returned to Valley League play and defeated the

NH Wildcats 4-1 at Methuen High School. Wilmington didn't get a shot on net until eight minutes into the game and found themselves trailing 1-0 at the end of two periods, but turned things around in the third with four unanswered goals to take the victory.

The B's got some nice blocks and shots on net in the first two periods from their defensemen, Jimmy Mullen, Johnny Malone, Tommy Quilty, Cole Carter and Alex Williams, to keep it close, but still had nothing to show for it at the end of the second. Some fine checking from forwards Nick Masiello, Adam Siegel and mark Flanagan also helped Wilmington stay in it through two.

It was Kevin Moriarty, with a start at wing, who finally ended the drought for the B's early in the third with a wicked shot that was assisted by a Tommy Quilty feed from behind the net. Then a minute and a half later, defenseman Jimmy Mullen stole the puck in the neutral zone and, after skating it into Wildcat territory, popped a high shot that ripped the top off the far corner to make it 2-1 Wilmington.

Brian Couty, assisted by Tommy Quilty, followed suit just seconds later with another neutral zone turnover that he brought back and backhanded by netminder Art MacAlpine for a 3-1 Wilmington lead. With 3:17 left, Adam Martinello helped Jimmy Stokes get the B's fourth tally. Stokes' shot from the corner area deflected off a player and went in to give the B's the 4-1 win.

Wilmington goaltender Craig Benard looked superb in net, chalked up 34 saves in the three games.

ond mark. The Rockets, Jake Romano tied the game nine minutes in after a scramble in front of the net.

The Cat defensive group for the game was Tyler Maffei, Eric Masiello, Andrew Camillieri, Zack Blanch and Alex Harrington. They made a number of strong plays in coming back to break up some potential breakaways. With just over three minutes to play in the second period, Dan Luise set up Brendan McDonough to give the Wildcats a 2-1 lead.

Both teams had their share of scoring chances the rest of the game but neither could put one behind the goalies. Reading pulled their goalie with over two minutes left for an extra attacker looking for the tying goal, but Matt Curran did his best.

Patrick Roy imitation in making one outstanding save after another to hold onto the hard fought victory for the Wildcats.

The third round of the Holiday Tournament in Reading on Monday morning found the Mite B's up against the Cambridge 'A' team. You may have heard this before, the Wildcats jumped out to the early lead again as Brendan McDonough scored, unassisted at the forty-two second mark.

Cambridge's, Erik Troy tied the game at the nine minute mark on a power play goal. The action went back and forth but both goaltenders held the offenses at bay until Zack Blanch and Brendan McDonough set up Jay Rossetti in front for the go ahead goal at the mid way point of the second period.

The third period saw more of the same tight checking as the Wildcats defensive corps, Alex Harrington, Tyler Maffei, Zack Blanch, Eric Masiello and Ryan Kennedy did a great job in front of net minder, Matt Curran. Five minutes into the period, Dan Luise and Andrew Camillieri set up Brendan McDonough for an insurance goal to make it 3-1. Two minutes later the Cats defense was called for tying up the puck in the crease, which resulted in a very rare penalty shot for Cambridge. Michael Fedoruk was assigned to take the shot for Cambridge and he made the most of it, making it a 3-2 game.

Cambridge continued to apply the pressure in the last five minutes, even pulling their goalie looking for the tying goal, but the stand up defense, the back checking forwards and the excellent goaltending of Matt Curran were too much for Cambridge to penetrate. The Wildcats finished the round robin tied with Reading at two wins and one loss.

The finals of the Holiday Tournament on Tuesday morning came against the host team, Reading, whom the Cats defeated 6-3 in the first round of the tournament. The Rockets wanted to make a statement to the Wildcats that this game would be different. At the five-minute mark, Matt Hagan put Reading up 1-0 with a back-hander from the face off circle just over goalie, Matt Curran's shoulder.

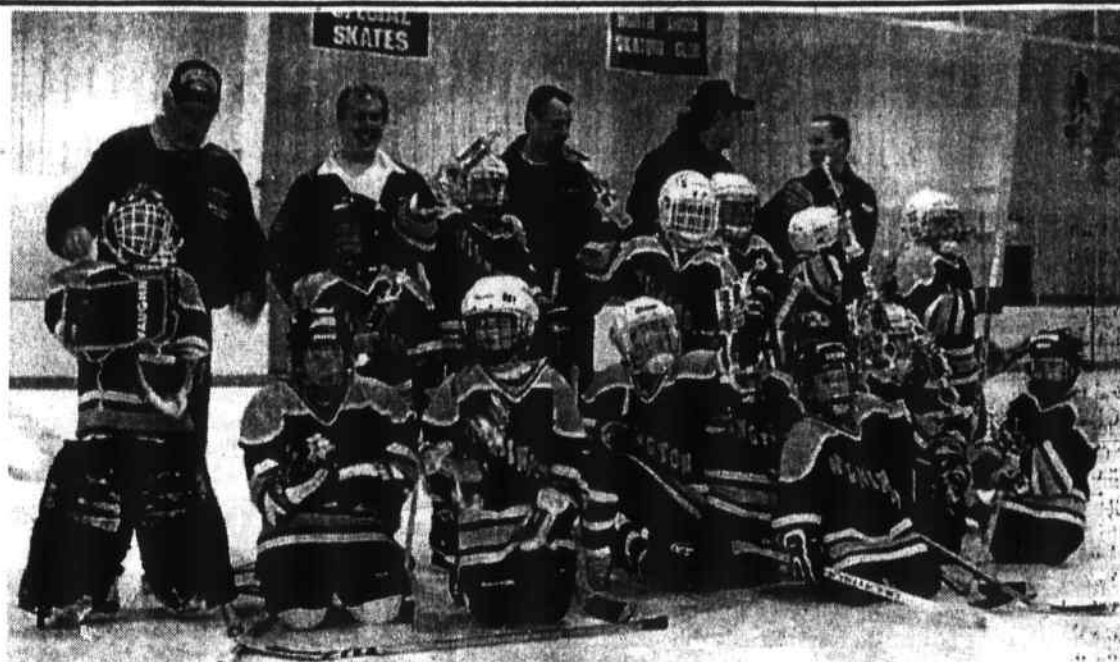
Less than three minutes later, Mike McGoldrick put the Rockets up 2-0. The Cats had a number of chances in the first period but just couldn't get one by the Reading net minder.

The Rockets went up 3-0, three minutes into the second period as Derek Galante put in his own rebound. The determined Wildcats then clamped down on defense and turned up their "not to be denied" offense. The Cats stormed back to tie the game with three goals in a span of two minutes and fourteen seconds in the last three minutes of the second period. Each line did their part and took a turn scoring a goal.

Scoring the first goal was Dan Luise with an assist to Brendan McDonough. Next up was Brendan Healy, banging home the rebound of a Ryan Kennedy shot. Andrew Camillieri then tied it up with assists to Nolan Gaffey and Zack Blanch.

The Wildcats took the lead for good with seven and a half minutes left in the game as Brendan McDonough notched the eventual game winner with assists going to Conor Ryan and Dan Luise. The remainder of the game saw both teams with scoring chances, only to be denied by the goaltenders. Reading's, Mike McGoldrick had the best opportunity with four minutes to go as he went in alone on a breakaway, only to be stoned on the save of the game by Wildcat net minder, Matt Curran.

The Rockets pulled their goalie in the final minute looking for the tying goal, but the Cat defense stiffened and wouldn't allow a shot



THE WILMINGTON MITE B YOUTH HOCKEY TEAM won the Reading Christmas Tournament. (courtesy photo).

on net, as they held on for a great comeback victory for the tournament championship.

Congratulations go out to the Wilmington Mite B's, generously sponsored by the Wilmington Firefighters. This year's Holiday

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Mite A's remain busy

On Saturday morning, December 28th at 6:20 AM the Wilmington Mite "A" Wildcats, sponsored by Champion's Choice, squared off against Dual State opponent Revere at the Hallenbourg Rink in Billerica. This game was dominated by Wilmington from start to finish as they took control early and won going away by an 8-0 score.

Cam Collins was in net for the Cats and came away with the team's first shutout of the season. The defense in front of Cam was made up of Nikhil Dixit, Drew Foley, Nick DiRienzo and Paul Barbaro and each of them did a tremendous job of keeping the puck away from Cam. When called upon, Cam also came up with the big save to preserve the shutout.

The Cats rang up four goals in the first period as they moved the puck around extremely well. Centerman JT Lynch got the Cats scoring started as he streaked up the middle and scored unassisted and set the tone for how this game would turn out. Winger Brian Pickett scored the next goal as he used nice positioning in front of the net to collect a pass from JB Thompson who was fed by Jake Rogers for a 2-0 score.

The onslaught continued when three minutes later Jackie Mulrenan used his size to muscle through two defenders and put it past the Revere goalie for an unassisted goal and a commanding 3-0 lead. JT Lynch scored his second goal of the period as was the beneficiary of some nice passing from JB Thompson to Brian Pickett who found JT as he ripped it into the net and put the Cats ahead with a solid 4-0 cushion.

The second period was, once again, all Wilmington as they swarmed the Revere forwards and never allowed them to attack. Wingers Daniel Keane, Chris Newton, Jake Rogers, Brian Pickett and JB Thompson contained Revere in the corners. Centers JT Lynch and Jackie Mulrenan clogged up the passing lanes through center ice and broke up numerous plays. The few times that Revere did mount an attack and get past the forwards, the strong defense of Wilmington stopped them at the blue line.

The non-stop scoring continued as Jackie Mulrenan took a pass from defenseman Nick DiRienzo, moved in on goal and banged it home to increase the lead to 5-0. JT Lynch completed his hat trick and the route was on as he scored taking a pass from Brian Pickett who was fed by defenseman Paul Barbaro. The score was now 6-0 and head coach Kevin Pickett moved many of the boys into different positions.

The third period started with defenseman Nikhil Dixit moved to right wing. Nikhil kept the scoring going as he moved down the right side and scored unassisted for his first goal of the season. With two minutes remaining, Brian Pickett picked up his second goal of the contest as he took a pass from Chris Newton, made a nice move and slipped it behind the Revere goalie to make the final score 8-0.

The Wilmington Mite "A" Wildcats played a barn burner on 12/31 at the Merrimack Valley Forum against the Maine Renegades. This game was one of the most exciting games of the season with both teams having great scoring opportunities and terrific defense.

The story of this game was the outstanding goaltending provided by Nick DiRienzo for Wilmington and Jonathan Gilles of Maine who dueled to a 2-2 tie.

The Cats came out of the gate strong and attacked Maine right from the start. It was evident early on that the Cats would be hard pressed for goals as the Wilmington forwards moved the puck well and created some nice scoring opportunities but couldn't solve Gilles. Despite outplaying Maine the Cats did everything but put the puck in the net. Equally up to the task at the other end was Nick DiRienzo who faced fewer shots but made some huge saves.

The game was scoreless when, with 4:45 to go in the first period, JT Lynch streaked down the right side of the ice. From the right face-off circle JT fired a high, hard shot that Gilles stopped with his blocker. Gilles fell backwards on the shot and the rebound fell right in front of the net where Chris Newton was camped and he banged it home for a 1-0 lead. Maine stormed right back however and one minute later Brendon Horton scored to tie the game at one apiece.

In the second period the game became chippy with five penalties being called, three of which were on Maine. Two minutes into the second period, Jackie Mulrenan on defense, took a pass from Brian Pickett in front of the Wilmington goal and proceeded to skate through the Maine defenders using some nice moves. Jackie moved in on net, made a nice move and scored to give the Cats a 2-1 lead.

Squirt C's defeat Tewksbury

The Wilmington Squirt C's met Tewksbury's Squirt B's in Valley League play at Janis Rink and came away with a 3-2 victory. Tewksbury came out to score first, getting the only goal in the first period.

The second period saw the Cats defensive lines of Steve Taylor, Dennis Gingras, Ian Haggerty stepping up to stop Tewksbury's attempts to get into the zone. Scott Layton's pass from the blue line to Scott Deronde out front of Tewksbury's net putting the Cats on the board to tie the game.

Scott Deronde again scored, assisted by Dominic Dirupo to start the third period with a one point lead. The Cats offensive line of John Hughson, Cori Michals and Brian Good each had some nice shots on net keeping Tewksbury's goalie busy. Tom Cushing, Drew Cummings and Danny Creedon kept the play in Tewksbury's zone by out playing Tewksbury's offense.

With five minutes left in the game Tewksbury tied it up, but the Cats, who love to keep everyone on the edge of their seats, scored the winning goal by Ryan Derian off an up ice pass from goalie Joe Aucoin after a great save with seconds left in the game.

Wilmington 3, Reading 3
The Squirt C's met Reading's Squirt C's early in Malden for Valley League play. The Cats came out to score first, halfway through the first period when Drew Cummings shot the puck from the corner out to Dennis Gingras in front of Reading's net.

The defensive teams of Dennis Gingras, Ian Haggerty, Steve Taylor and Scott Layton worked hard pushing Reading out of the zone, keeping the shots on Joe Aucoin to a minimum. With less than two minutes left in the period, Scott Deronde got a rebound off the Cats net and sent it up ice to Ryan Derian who took it in for a nice deke, giving the Cats a two goal lead. The only goal in the second period came from Reading.

The Cats had some nice attempts

Despite the three penalties on Maine, Wilmington could not further capitalize and the game progressed with both teams having scoring chances. Maine, however, would take advantage of a Wilmington penalty and at the five minute mark Horton once again scored to tie the game at 2-2.

The third period was a flurry of activity by both teams and outstanding goaltending by both boys. Wilmington's defense also played superbly as Cam Collins, Jackie Mulrenan, Drew Foley and Paul Barbaro made numerous big plays in front of Nick. Nick also made a tremendous save on a Maine breakaway to keep the Cats hopes of winning alive. Wingers Brian Pickett, JB Thompson, Chris Newton, Jake Rogers and Daniel Keane played an outstanding defensive game. Centers Justin Ferriera and JT Lynch were flying all over the ice in both the defensive and offensive ends and each had numerous chances to score.

The play of the game came late in the third period as Justin Ferriera moved into the offensive zone, made some nifty moves and from the right face off circle fired a bullet that looked as though it was destined to go "top corner" and find the twine. In the blink of an eye however, Jonathan Gilles flashed the leather and made a stellar glove save and preserved the tie.

Wilmington had one more opportunity late in the game but the Renegades never allowed the puck to reach the net and the horn sounded bringing the match to an exciting close.

on net by John Hughson, Cori Michals and Danny Creedon who worked well together. Feeding the puck up, and at Reading's goalie, Brian Good and Dominic Dirupo helped keep the pressure on.

Less than a minute into the third period, Matt Kasparian and Ian Haggerty each assisted Dennis Gingras to his second goal of the game. Within the third period, Reading scored two powerplay goals to end the game in a tie.

Wilmington 5, Haverhill 1
The Squirt C's met Haverhill's Squirts in Valley League play at Ristuccia Arena. Less than three minutes into the first period, Danny Creedon passed from the corner to Dennis Gingras out in front of the net to get the Cats on the board. Less than two minutes later a pass from Scott Deronde to Matt Kasparian at the blue line who skated in for the Cats' second goal.

The Cats got their third goal of the period as the team of Danny Creedon with his second assist passed to Dennis Gingras for his second goal. Haverhill got their only goal of the game when they tucked the puck in past Joe Aucoin to end the period. The defensive lines of Cori Michals, Steve Taylor, Megan Souza and Scott Layton worked to keep the puck from staying in the Cats zone, feeding it up to Tommy Cushing and Brian Good who each played some good positional hockey.

The second period saw the Cats only goal when Drew Cummings brought the puck up ice to Ryan Derian in front of the net giving the Cats a three goal lead. Scott Deronde and John Hughson each had some nice shots on net. Matt Kasparian and Dominic Dirupo worked hard on offense digging the puck out of the Cats zone. Two minutes into the third period Danny Creedon again assisted Dennis Gingras giving him a hat trick and Joe Aucoin and the Cats a much deserved win.

Atlantic 10 play exciting in youth hoop action

Atlantic 10
LaSalle 14, G. Washington 10
 Jessica Lees hot shooting (12 points) led LaSalle in a close game. Erika Johnson, Kristina Lees, Jennifer Garand and Jennifer Stewart all added two points each for LaSalle. G.W. was led in scoring by Meghan Stinson. Stefany Mason, Brandie Queen, Erika Gately and Lisa Hitchins with two points each. Geena Dinuccio led G.W. on defense.

Rhode Island 22, Fordham 12
 R.I. was led in scoring by Amanda Keane with eight, Brianna Dancoe and Laney Sartoris added four each and Kimmie Nasiff, Kristin Ingala and Jessica Lavin added two points each. Fordham was led in scoring by Kerri Spry 10 points, Kristin Crosby four and Courtney See added two points.

Xavier 20, UMass 15
 Xavier was led in scoring by Lisa Capozzi with 16 points, Jenna Whooley two, Mikayla Grassia and Jessica Pheasant added one each. UMass was led in scoring by Margaret Brown with 10 points, Emily Crannell and Victoria Lord with two points each and Paige Bennett added one point. Emily Schuh led UMass on defense.

St. Joe's 12, Temple 6
 In a close game that went down to the wire St. Joe's came out on top. St. Joe's was led in scoring by Katherine Aoki with six points, Lauren Zarella, Lauren Cole and Nichole Neville added two each. Alaina Coakley played great on defense for St. Joe's.

Temple was led in scoring by Kayla Rossetti with six points. Shannon Keffe led Temple in rebounding.

Big 10
Ohio State 28, Indiana 6

Ohio State took the lead early and never looked back. Ohio State was led by the balanced scoring of Michael Biondo with 12, Adam Burke 10, Zach Reed 6, Phillip Lentini with four, Cody Cerra and John Thompson added two each.

Indiana was led by Nicholas Cirame, Eddie Loud, and Anthony Capozzi with two points each. David Rygiel and Jeff Hill led Indiana in rebounding.

Penn State 14, Michigan 6
 Penn State was led in scoring by Thomas See with eight points, Brenton Bockus with four points and Stephen Taylor added two points. John Rufo led Penn State in rebounding.

Michigan was led by the hustle and scoring of Tom Broman with four points and Cole Pepper with two. Tim Broman led Michigan in rebounding.

Wisconsin 32, Illinois 12
 Wisconsin was led in scoring by Kyle Peach with 12 points, Tim McCarthy with 14, Mark Wadland with four, Dan Collins and Zach Curley added two each.

Illinois was led by Steven Reynold with 10 points, and Dan Pothier added two. Robert Satera and Stephen Curreri led Illinois in rebounding.

Purdue 34, Indiana 4
 Jimmy Welch was too much for a good Michigan State team as he scored a season high 18 points. Purdue was also led in scoring by Matthew Costello with 10, Adam Ditocco with two, Ken Fryer with three and Dan D'Arcangelo with two.

Michigan State was led in scoring by Kyle Albanese with four points, Nathan Grimley with four and Matt Palermo with two.

Big East
B. College 15, Providence 12

Nolan Giroux tossed in seven points to lead BC to victory. Andrew Flood, Caleb Rogers and Tyler and Tom Valente also notched points for the Eagles. Andrew Companschi poured in seven points while Dave Melkonian, Alex Leiskau and Jeff Kannally also scored for the Friars. Keegan Farnham played strong, aggressive defense for Providence.

Georgetown 22, Syracuse 10
 Cameron Shepard and Mark Scillari netted eight points apiece for the Hoyas while teammates Dan Cushing and Eric Murray added four and two points respectively. Brady Detweiler and Matt Bocchino added several assists for Georgetown. Ian Sullivan contributed six points and James Marra added four for the Orangemen. Tim Woodland, Dennis Landry and Aaron Mischel hustled on defense for Syracuse.

Miami 19, St. Johns 16
 Dan MacKinnon tossed in six points followed by Brendan Fullerton with five and William McGrath with four for the Canes. Sean Sullivan and Michael Wilkinson also scored for the victors. St. Johns was led by Evan Butters with seven points, Gregory Fields with six and Steve Souza with three. Patrick Enright played a great all-around game for the Red Storm.

Villanova 37, Notre Dame 22
 Michael Murphy erupted for 14 points while Ryan Derian added eight points and Tyler Whalen contributed six. Sean Furlong, Derek Queen and Cody White dished out a number of assists for the Wildcats.

Nick Boutoures notched six points while Matt Celeste added five and Tim Patrie added three for the Fighting Irish. Mike Kelley, Conor O'Riordan and Lance Flaherty also scored for Notre Dame.

WNBA
Knicks 54, Lakers 33
 Patrick Ryan led the victors with 24 points, followed by Dan Reed with 11 and Jared Nims with six points. Shawn Fahey, Mike Auciello and Matt Olson also contributed key hoops for the Knicks. Derek Concannon notched 30 points while Mike Thomas added eight and Derek Stuke scored five in a gallant effort for the Lakers. Josh Giroux, Mike Fogarty and Zach Church dished out a number of assists for the Lakers.

Bulls 69, Wizards 40
 Nick Duggan scored 23 points, Andrew Otovic added 22 and P.J. Russo scored 20 for the Bulls. Shane Simbeck, Ryan Dooley and Tony Karalekas hustled on defense for the Bulls. Kyle Borsetti notched 14 points, Justin Patrie added 13 and Brendan Sheehan scored nine points for the Wizards. Dan Kline, Mike Larfallelo and Nathan Mercer pulled down some key rebounds for the Wizards.

Grizzlies 55, Cavaliers 41
 Tom Miele and Chris Caiazzo each earned 14 points, while Tim Ryan added nine points for the victors. Chris Marcini also chipped in with 11 points and Nick Hogan added seven for the Grizzlies. Bobby Sinopoli scored 15 points, Sean Murphy scored 11 and Joe DiMare added six points for the Cavaliers. Jesse Belding, Steve Shibilia and Dan Tanzella also scored for the Cavs.

Nets 51, Celtics 50
 Brian Cairns poured in 23 points, Kyle Nims added seven while Jeff Youngclaus and Matt Pennie scored six apiece for the Nets. Conor Moroney and Nick Underwood also notched key hoops for the victors. Brendan DeMango scored 14 points for the Celtics while teammates John Tranfaglia, Misha Glazomitsky and Mike Frizzore scored nine, eight and seven points respectively. Jon Bishop and Scott Bransfield dished out some key assists for the Celts.

WNBA
Sparks 26, Liberty 24
 Brian Cairns were once again on fire as they pulled out the close victory against Liberty by a score of 26-24. Leading the offense was Katelyn Sullivan with 16 points, and Ashley Bruno with four. Jill Ennis and Katelyn Roberts were key factors in the win hustling up and down the court and

playing great defense.

For the Liberty, Megan Godding led the attack with 12 points and Caitlin Harrington added six.

Mercury 24, Comets 20
 Mercury defeated the Comets in an exciting matchup pulling ahead in the last few minutes and capturing the win with a score of 24-20. Coming up big for the Mercury were Alicia Murray and Alyssa Bibeau both with eight and Jessica Brouillard with five.

Pulling down the rebounds were Kimmy Stockton and Susan Livermore while Ashley Poirier of the Comets played a great overall game coming up big with 14 points. Kayla Fraser of the Comets showed her quickness on the court coming up with a few key steals as well.

Sting 26, Fire 19
 Brittany Winchell was the star of the game as she led the Sting to a 26-19 victory while personally scoring 12 points. Amanda Miles added six to the score while Erin Magee and Danielle Miles both had four.

For the Fire, Adrienne Masiello led the attack with eight points and Taylor Duffy showed great skill scoring six points and grabbing some key loose balls to turn them into breakaways. Michele Catania came up big with four rebounds.

Rockers 30, Monarchs 26
 As the time was dwindling down, the Rockers stepped it up and pulled ahead of the Monarchs in the last two minutes to gain the victory. The game was all tied up going into the last few minutes until Ashley Vitale scored two clutch baskets to give the Rockers the 30-26 victory.

Vitale had 16 points total while Samantha Souza and Jennifer Paris played great defense. For the Monarchs the scoring was pretty even with Taryn Martiniello scoring eight, Stephanie Sauve and Jessica Stira scoring six, and Jessica Harrington scoring four.

Pac 10
UCLA 21, Arizona State 17
 Natalie Russo was unstoppable for the UCLA as she led her team to a 21-17 victory in overtime. The game went into a three minute overtime period with the game tied up at 15 points apiece. Courtney Ryan of UCLA added five points to help her team. Kasey Stokes and Kellyn Campbell came up

big with some key steals to help secure the win in the last few minutes.

Erica Savage led Arizona State with six points and Allison Roberts showed some great ball handling skills.

Oregon 6, California 31
 In what at first seemed to be a close game, California pulled ahead late in the first half to defeat Oregon 31-6. Jess Stuke lit up the court with 15 points, while teammate Rachel Solomon scored four to cap off the victory.

Playing tough defense for Oregon was Alyssa Nihan while for California Leigha Carroll showed some real talent making some great defensive plays.

Stanford 21, Arizona 18
 In a close matchup, Jillian Fudge led the offense with eight points and also played a great defensive game, while Aubrey Ungvasky showed her long range shooting scoring seven points, including a three point shot. Kaitlin Roy was a defensive standout for Stanford while Kristen Browne of Arizona made it tough for Stanford to defend her.

Browne scored seven points while Allison Blair scored six to make the game close until the final buzzer sounded.

Washington 10, Oregon State 8
 Low scoring games usually mean there was some tough defense being shown on both sides of the court, and this game was a perfect example. Washington pulled out the victory with a 10-8 win over Oregon State. Both teams showed that they knew how to play defense as a team.

Colleen Kennedy led the offense for Washington with six points, while Erin McMahon scored four. Coming up with some great steals and defensive rebounds were Larissa Ingalia of Washington and Amelia Woodbury of Oregon State.

USC 11, Washington State 5
 In an intense game between USC and Washington State, USC finished the game on top outscoring Washington State 11-5. Showing some offensive talent was Ali Lyman scoring seven points for USC while teammates Bryanne Mara and Katelyn Hayes played great defense. Washington State was led by Erika Beraldi with four points while Megan Jensen and Christine Woods showed great intensity on defense.

Squirt A's take on rival Billerica

The Wilmington Squirt A Wildcats took on archrival Billerica on Sunday-December 22 at Ristuccia in Wilmington in Valley League action. This game would turn out to be one of the most exciting games of the year. The Billerica team had previously beaten Wilmington twice this year but this was not the same Wildcat team from earlier in the year and Billerica would soon realize the difference!

Wilmington scored first on a beautiful redirected shot by Kyle Creedon who was standing alone in the slot and tipped a blast from the point past the Billerica goalie making the score 1-0. Kyle's goal was assisted by Patrick Boudreau and Sean Keane. Billerica then responded by scoring the next four goals to take a 4-1 lead. Then late in the second period Wilmington's Jeffree Harris went the length of the ice through the entire Billerica team and scored a highlight reel breakaway goal making the score 4-2 Billerica.

Jeff's goal was assisted by Kevin Barry who had a very strong two way game. Jeffree Harris' heroics seemed to ignite the Wilmington squad and the Cats came out flying in the third period. Now down 4-2 Brian Fitzpatrick scored off a scramble in front of the Billerica net making the score 4-3 Billerica. Brian's goal was assisted by Matthew Larfallelo and Bret Kidik.

The Wilmington dominance continued when Kevin Barry scored on a laser like wrist shot that found the back of the net tying the game midway through the third period making the score 4-4. Kevin's goal was assisted by Peter Leighton and Danny Cushing. Wilmington wasn't done yet and they continued to press the action looking for the game winning goal. Brian Hurley from Wilmington then delivered when he scored the game winning goal with only minutes left on a fierce blast from the point overwhelming the Billerica goalie, giving Wilmington a 5-4 lead.

Brian's goal was assisted by Brendan O'Brien. Billerica then pulled their goalie and had a breakaway with only 48 seconds to go and goalie Tyler Stillings made a tremendous save preserving the most incredible comeback against a very big and talented Billerica team. The final score was 5-4 Wilmington before a very large and raucous crowd at Ristuccia Arena.

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Squirt A vs
New Hampshire Jr. Wildcats
 The Wilmington Squirt A Hockey Team continued their improbable run with another strong outing against the New Hampshire Jr. Wildcats Friday, December 27 in Valley League action at the Merrimack Valley Forum in Lawrence.

The Cats scored early and often beginning with Patrick Boudreau lighting the lamp midway through the first period making the score 1-0. Pat's goal was assisted by Sean Keane and Chris Robertson.

The flood gates opened in the second period with Wilmington scoring three more times. Sean Keane scored a huge goal early for the Cats making the score 2-0. Sean's goal was assisted by Patrick Boudreau and Danny Cushing. Kyle Creedon then followed suit by finding daylight and making the score 3-0. Kyle's goal was assisted by Brendan O'Brien and Patrick Boudreau. Late in the second period Danny Cushing scored the first of his two goals to push the lead to 4-0 after the second period. Danny's goal was

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In the middle of the third period the NH Jr. Wildcats finally scored ruining goalie Tyler Stillings' bid for a shutout. The Cats then answered with two more goals late in the game. Kevin Barry scored a nifty goal pushing the lead to 5-1 and sealing the game. Kevin's goal was assisted by Danny Cushing and Jeffree Harris. Speaking again of Danny Cushing, he scored a beautiful breakaway goal for good measure with under two minutes to go. Danny's goal was assisted by Patrick Boudreau. The final score was 6-2 Wilmington with all the Cats' figuring in the scoring!

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Wilmington Squirt A vs Masco
 The Wilmington Squirt A Wildcats sponsored by Focaccia's Restaurant took on Masco on Saturday December 28 at Hockey Town in Saugus. The Cats had moved to the top of the standings in both Dual State and Valley League due to some outstanding recent play and a long winning streak.

Wilmington scored first on a terrific shot by Chris Robertson giving the Cats an early 1-0 lead. Chris' goal was assisted by Patrick Boudreau and Brian Fitzpatrick.

The first period ended with a Wilmington flurry but no other scores were recorded.

The wheels came off early in the second period when Masco scored three goals. Goalie Tyler Stillings was busy as Masco began to take over the game. Wilmington forwards Brett Kidik, Matt Larfallelo, Peter Leighton, Sean Keane, Kyle Creedon and Kevin Barry played well but could not penetrate the Masco defense or goalie. The score after the second period was 3-1 Masco.

Jeffree Harris scored late in the third period on a beautiful rush making the score 4-2 Masco. Jeff's goal was assisted by Brendan O'Brien and

Danny Cushing. The Wilmington defense of Danny Cushing, Brian Hurley, Brendan O'Brien and Chris Robertson played very well but on this day Masco was the better team. The final score was 4-2 Masco!

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Girls' team blanks Sachems

Wilmington 7, Winchester 0
 The Route 1 Squirt girls team won their first game of the season making the trek to Saugus in a foot of snow very worthwhile and giving Alex Fletcher her first shutout in net.

The girls came out playing great offensive hockey from the first faceoff. Katelyn Hayes got the girls first goal with assists from Colleen Good and Kristen Callahan.

Two minutes later Katelyn came back to score again with some nice up ice passing from Kristyn Callahan and Amelia Woodbury. Less than a minute later, Amelia Woodbury got one on the board assisted by Colleen Good and Kristen Callahan.

Katelyn came back to get her first hat trick of the season with some great stick handling and passing from Colleen Good and Kristyn Callahan giving each an assist. The defensive line of Ashley Michals, Fiona Gately and Megan Pickett stopped Winchester at the blue line keeping shots on net to a minimum.

Erica Jensen played great of

fensive play feeding the puck out of the Cats zone. The second period saw some great shots on net with the Cats keeping the pressure on Winchester's goalie with some nice shots on net from Katherine Roy.

Ashley Michals started the third period off with a goal with assists from Erica Jensen and Amelia Woodbury who worked hard moving the puck up ice. Katelyn Hayes, who moved back to play defense foiled a breakaway on Winchester, sweeping the puck into the corner!

Megan Pickett moved up to play offense and had a nice breakaway that the Winchester goalie hopped in. Fiona Gately put the Cats on the board again with assists from Colleen Good and Kristyn Callahan. Amelia Woodbury ended the Cats scoring spree assisted by Ashley Michals and Erica Jensen. The girls played great hockey and deserved to take the win.

Thanks to the coaches, John Fletcher, Mike Good and Kevin Pickett.

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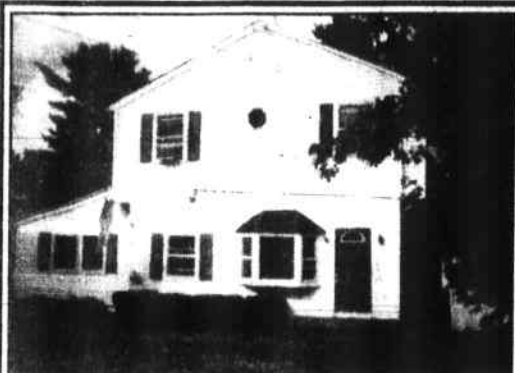
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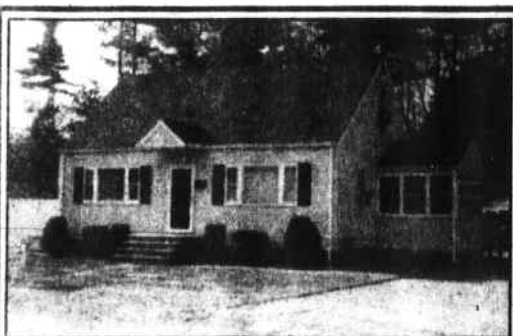


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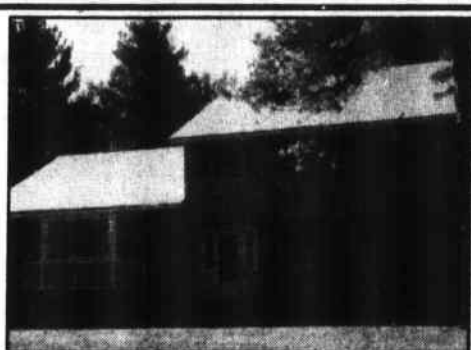
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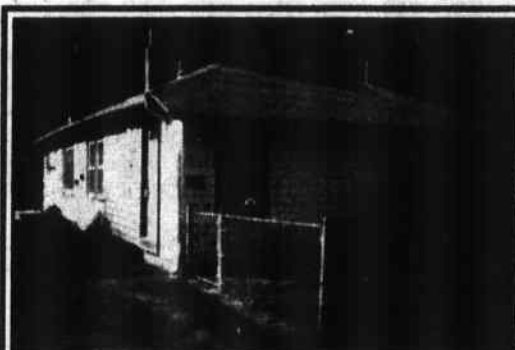
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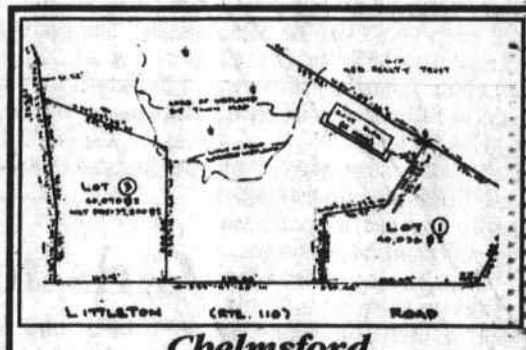
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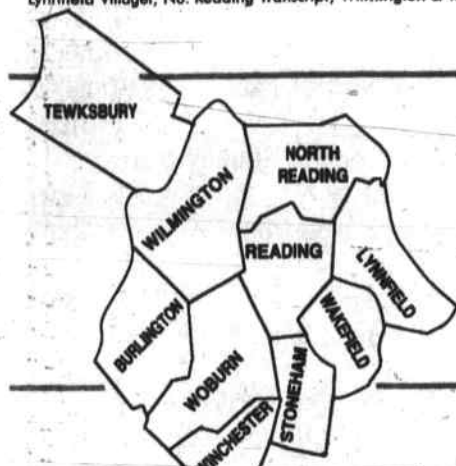


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By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

Location! Location! Location! Those three words consist of the oldest maxim in the real estate business and they are the key to the survival of the office and warehouse space market in the routes 128/I-93 area. Although the rental rates are lower than last year.

Peter Carbone, president of P and R Carbone Real Estate, Inc. in Woburn said, "The demand for (industrial and warehouse) space has stayed strong because of the lack of availability."

He added, "There are more vacancies with office space, but it is not a problem. There is still a strong demand for the purchase of industrial buildings and small office buildings."

Carbone notes that the greatest vacancy rate is in office space. However, spaces

from 500 square feet to 3,000 square feet are seeing the most rental activity at this time.

"Over 3,000 square feet," Carbone said, "you will see a lot more competition for renters."

According to Carbone, "we advertise and we get a good response. There are still people looking."

In his opinion, the clients that are looking are the smaller companies of three to fifteen employees. Many of these may be start-up companies made up of people laid off from larger firms.

Carbone looked to the future and said, "I would say the market has stabilized. I don't think that the prices are going to come down."

However, his son Ed Carbone notes that the stabilization is following a price decrease over the past 12 to 24

months. Depending on the size and the type of the building, office space rentals are down from \$5 to \$10 per square-foot since last year.

Ed Carbone said the industrial space has stayed close to the same with less than a dollar per square-foot decrease in the last 24 months.

His prediction for the future: "Jobs will drive the demand for office space. If the jobs pick up, the office market will pick up."

For right now, neither Carbone is worried. Ed said, "There will be deals done because leases are coming up for renewals. I see more downsizing."

These predictions pretty much fit in with what the areas largest office and industrial space developer Cummings Associates is also predicting.

John Wiseman, vice president for leasing, at Cummings said, "There is still activity. A

lot of people are trying new positions."

According to Wiseman, the single user buildings owned by Cummings are 100 percent occupied. Other buildings have an occupancy rate in the high 80 percentile.

He noted, "Our average tenant size is under 5,000 square feet."

Wiseman accorded Cummings success to the large variety of buildings in its real estate portfolio.

"Warehouse space has been real solid for us," Wiseman said.

Carbone and Wiseman agree that the success of warehouse space rental in his area is due to the lack of it. They both note there is very little available in this area and that type of space does not free up until you reach the I-495 area.

Wiseman is also a believer that location is the key to this

area's success in a very tight market. "Spaces out here tend to work well. Many principals of companies live out here and the investors like (the area) for space."

He added, "Spaces here are one-half the cost of spaces in Cambridge."

According to Wiseman, his company is able to lure a number of companies from their spaces in Boston and Cambridge because they can offer more space for the money being spent.

"Over the past 12 to 18 months high-tech and bio-tech firms have been migrating to Woburn," Wiseman said.

As to the reason the area is attractive, Wiseman voiced his opinion that several reasons include:

- access to educated workforce;

- location and access to transportation such as railroads and the ease of access to the airport;

- the availability of business class hotels and restaurants; and

- The availability of buildings that have the proper utilities (gas and electric hook-ups) for the needs of the businesses.

Another reason, according to Wiseman, "Office lease rates are very attractive to people who want to move up to new fresh spaces."

Robert Cronin, with Boston based real estate firm Meredith & Grew agrees with Wiseman's assessment. He noted that rental activity for office space in the area "had been relatively

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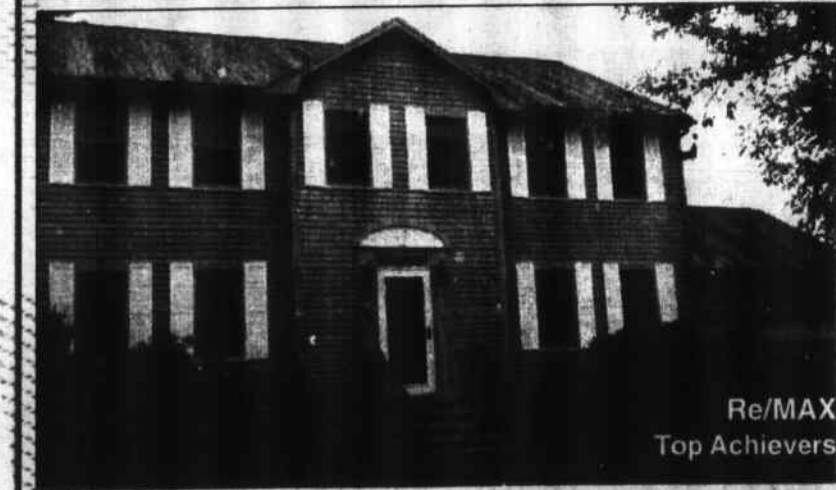
ANTHONY MANCONI

In a saloon in a WILD WESTERN FRONTIER TOWN, a dog was SHOT in the FOOT. In hobbled all the way home, put on a GUNBELT and LIMPED back, went under the SWINGING DOORS and looking over to a group of cowboys. The dog then "BARKED OUT," loud and clear, "AW-RIGHT who's the DIRTY RAT WHO SHOT MY PAW!"...

My cousin PEGGY WALSH, joined an order of, "CLOISTERED NUNS." Except for PRAYERS AND SINGING OF HYMNS, they observed the RULE OF

SILENCE. They were however permitted to say TWO WORDS EVERY TEN YEARS. Peggy's first two words were, "CELL COLD" (a room is called a cell). The mother superior duly noted the COMPLAINT and promptly FORGOT IT. TEN YEARS passed and Peggy's next two words were, "FOOD BAD." Those words were IGNORED TOO. Standing tall and straight ten years later, Peggy exclaimed, "I QUIT!" "GOOD," the mother

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Colonial Chorus

Auditions for "Honk"

READING - The Colonial Chorus Players of Reading will have open auditions for the spring production of *Honk*, that will be held on Jan. 12 and 13, with callbacks on Jan. 14, at the Old Hose House, located at 1249 Main St. Reading.
Auditions will begin on Jan. 12 at 1 p.m. for children the age of six and 7 p.m. for adults. Auditions on Jan. 13 for adults are 7 p.m.
The Colonial Chorus, Inc. of Reading is a community based non-profit organization, dedicated to the furthering of the arts through musical theater since 1961.
For full information, contact Colonial Chorus Players at 781-944-9798 or visit the website at: www.colonialchorus.com.

Lexington Pops marks 21st year Jan. 24-25

LEXINGTON - The Lexington Pops Chorus will launch its twenty-first year with the presentation of Johann Sebastian Bach's *Magnificat* in D major. Two concerts will be held at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24 and 25, at The Hancock United Church of Christ, 1912 Massachusetts Ave., in Lexington.
The chorus is under the direction of Robert A. Lague, Director of Fine

About the Towns

2003: AND SO IT GOES...

by Phyllis Nissen

Agenda set in Wakefield

"The Planning Board received a request from the developer of 11 Lake Street or Wakefield Crossing to continue the Public Hearing until the Board's next scheduled meeting on January 14, 2003," notes the Wakefield edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Several issues need to be considered including the drainage and storage of water as well as the completion of the site plan. They also need to resolve the standard for the amount of income to qualify for the purchase of a unit."

"The Wakefield Fair Housing Partnership has also indicated that they wish to see the income ratio lowered from the proposed 1.5 to 1.0 per household."

"The result of this would be a reduction in the price of the units and is opposed by the applicant at this time."

"The major debate of the meeting was how to resolve the situation at Dexter Lane. Apparently, the as-built drawings did not match the actual condition at the site. This has created a problem for both the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission."

"The Chairman of the Conservation Commission, James Luciani appeared before the Planning Board and stated, 'There is a problem with the drainage plan but the mandated replication of the wetlands is an issue which must be dealt with.' 'Under state law, the

Arts in the Stoneham School System and Organist/Choir Director for The Second Congregational Church in Beverly. The group's accompanist is Richard Scalise, cum laude graduate of Boston University in Piano Performance and Composition. For the presentation of the *Magnificat* however, Scalise will play the harpsicord as part of an instrumental ensemble that includes violin, cello, flute, trumpet, and oboe.

The second half of the program, always music in a lighter mood, will include *Gospel Train*, A Tribute to Cole Porter, a medley from *Les Miserables*, *Bye, Bye, Blues* (women's voices), *All Through the Night/Tell Me Why* (men's voices), and also a few solo pieces.

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affected area must be fixed in order to comply with environmental law. Though Attorney Brian McGrail disagreed with the Conservation Commission and summarized the facts as stated by his client.

"There are a number of issues at hand which the Board needs to address before this matter can be entirely resolved...."

Belts tightened in Tewksbury

"Town Manager David Cressman unveiled his forecast for Fiscal Year 2004 during the meeting with the Board of Selectmen and he was not smiling," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"According to Town Manager Cressman, the town will be forced to tighten its belt during the upcoming years. Revenues from Local Receipts are as much as \$743,000 behind forecasted numbers for FY2002. While Cressman expects motor vehicle excise, along with water and sewer receipts, to catch up to expected numbers, he does not have the same high hopes for interest and hotel taxes. Cressman sees this scenario as creating a potential long-term problem in Fiscal Year 2005 that could cost the town as much as \$2 million."

"Cressman informed the selectmen that he sees state aid being an issue as well. He would consider seeing a zero percent increase in state aid as a best-case scenario next year, but instead considers a 10 percent reduction to be a very realistic possibility. Such a dip in state aid would

translate into Tewksbury receiving \$1.5 million less from the state."

"This winter has already proven more expensive than last year in terms of funds for snow removal. Cressman sees a possible deficit of as much as \$300,000 by the end of the winter."

"The budgetary problem for Fiscal Year 2004 ranges from \$1 to \$3.6 million dollars," Cressman asserted.

"The town has already taken steps to combat these issues, and reducing the town's workforce has been one of them. Since December of 2001, Tewksbury has chosen not to refill more than 5 percent of positions that have been vacated. The School Department has chosen to allow a number of positions to remain unfilled as well...."

Issues resolved in Burlington

"With the final legal issue resolved, the path is clear for

Shaw's to proceed with construction of a supermarket at the former Filene's basement site at the corner of Cambridge and Winn Streets," notes the Burlington edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"At the meeting of the Planning Board, Chairman Ernest Covino said the second of two lawsuits involving Shaw's and its Burlington proposal had been settled."

"The Planning Board had approved a site plan for a 77,000-square-foot store. Following that vote in 2001, two suits were filed. One involved property owners in the area, with Shaw's as the defendant, and the other challenged a Conservation Commission decision regarding the proposal."

"Earlier last year, one of the matters was settled and Shaw's announced plans to start demolition after the first of the year and commence construction in the spring."

"Shaw's expects to have the store open prior to Thanksgiving."

"Covino said resolution of the second suit removes all impediments."

"They're definitely on their way," he stated."

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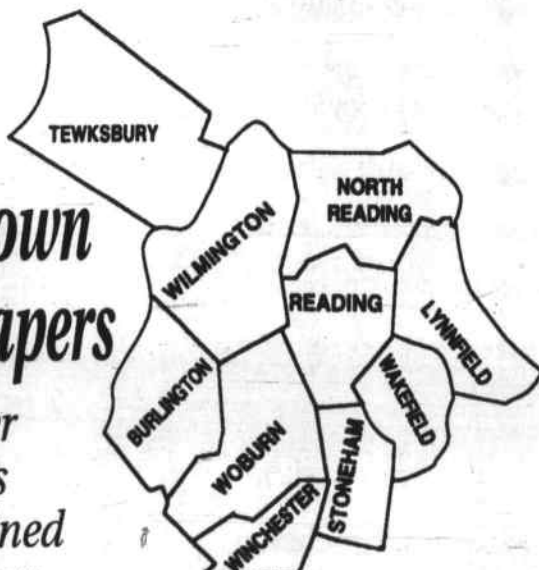
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Assets in 529 accounts are soaring, with nearly \$200 billion expected to pour into them by 2007, up from an estimated \$25 billion in 2002. The plans are particularly appropriate for grandparents with taxable estates - over \$1 million for an individual or \$2 million for a married couple - who wish to help grandchildren with college and reduce their taxable estates at the same time.

These plans, named for section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, are similar to Roth IRAs in that a taxpayer reaps no federal deduction for making the investment, but the beneficiary of the plan (the child) pays no tax on withdrawals from the account as long as the funds are used for his or her qualified educational costs (i.e., room and board, tuition, books, supplies, etc.).

But perhaps best of all, while contributions to 529 plans are removed from the account owner's estate, the owner

doesn't lose control over the funds. With very limited exceptions, the account's beneficiary has no rights to the funds. The account owner decides when withdrawals are taken and for what purpose. Most plans even

any additional gifts to the beneficiary during the next five years. However, if the donor dies before the five-year period is over, a portion of the gift will be included in the owner's taxable estate. The total amounts

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allow the account owner to take back gift if necessary (although a 10 percent penalty will apply and the owner will have to pay taxes on any earnings upon withdrawal).

Anyone can create a 529 account: a parent can create one for a child, or a grandparent can create one for a grandchild (or anyone else). Contributions to these accounts are limited to \$11,000 per recipient annually without triggering a gift tax. However, the law does permit advance funding. A family member can make a maximum contribution of \$55,000 in one year and still not exceed the gift tax limit, as long as the owner doesn't make

that can be placed in 529 accounts are substantial (\$250,000 or more per beneficiary under some state plans). Generally speaking, there are no income limitations or age restrictions.

There are two types of 529 programs: a pre-paid program and a savings program. The pre-paid program allows states to offer pre-paid tuition contracts to cover tuition for higher education. This program has a limited choice of schools for which the tuition is applicable. The more popular savings program, on the other hand, may be used for any accredited post-secondary school in the United States.

The best place to compare 529 college savings plans is at the Web site www.savingforcollege.com. The site features a 529 Evaluator and gives each plan a rating.

Birth

RENE and SHARON (DARLING) LEVESQUE announce the birth of their first child, a daughter Lauren Marie on Oct 31, 2002 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparent honors go to Larry and Margie Darling of Reading and Helen Levesque of Bedford.

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LONGWOOD PLACE AT READING - "Off To See The Lights." A motorized trolley rented by Longwood Place treated the residents to night-time view of the Christmas decorations in the area. The trip covered many towns lasting in excess of two hours. As decorations were explained and few historical references were included. The residents enjoyed the ride and referred to the Longwood van mystery rides as competitive with these sojourns. Certainly, everybody was ready for a snack and a quick end of the evening.

Cold water doesn't have to be icy

Each winter, many people are injured from exposure in cold water incidents, skaters and ice fishermen fall through the ice; boaters and canoeists fall overboard or overturn their craft.

What is considered "Cold Water"? Any water that is cooler than normal body temperature (98.6 F) is by definition "cold water". According to the U.S. Coast Guard, each year there are over 7,000 drownings and 20,000 near drownings in the United States. Over half of these incidents occur in cold water. Cold water drains away body heat 25 to 30 times faster than air! Cold water does not have to be icy, it just has to be colder than you are to cause hypothermia. The lower the temperature of the water, the faster the onset of hypothermia.

What is hypothermia? Hypothermia is the excessive lowering of body temperature. A drop in core body temperature below 95 degrees F, causes shivering, confusion, loss of muscle strength, and if not treated, leads to unconsciousness and death.

How thick is "safe" ice? Ice on moving water such as in rivers, streams and brooks is never safe. The thickness of ice on ponds and lakes depends upon water currents or springs, depth and natural objects such as rocks or tree stumps. Daily changes in temperature cause the ice to expand and contract, which affects its strength. Because of these factors, no one can declare the ice to be absolutely "safe".

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Local Red Cross has volunteer opportunities

The American Red Cross of Mass Bay-North Area, located at 85 Lowell St. in Peabody, is looking for volunteers in a variety of areas. The following positions are our greatest needs:

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Drivers, Transportation Program (Daytime) - We need individuals to transport clients to and from medical appointments during business hours. Current driver's license and

clear driving record required. Vehicle is provided.

Health & Safety Instructors - Help Us Save Lives! We have a need for individuals to serve as Health and Safety Instructors, teaching CPR, First Aid, babysitting, or other community classes. These classes are held weekdays after 6 p.m. and on weekends at our Peabody office. Ideally a commitment of 6 classes (4 hours each) per year is desired. Our next instructor's training course will begin in February.

Testing Proctors (Daytime) - We need several individuals to serve as regular or substitute testing proctors for our Thursday morning assessment testing. This assessment test is required of all potential Health care Training students and is a test of basic English and math skills. The ideal candidate must be comfortable working with diverse populations.

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It was held in Melrose at the home of Freeman Frank who is the New England Tournament Director.

Anyone interested in playing checkers for fun can contact Mr. Frank at 781-324-9648.

SAMARITANS HELP PREVENT SUICIDES

Every seventeen minutes someone in the United States dies by suicide. For every completed suicide, there are as many as twenty attempted suicides. These deaths are preventable, and you can help.

Right now, someone struggling with loneliness, depression, or suicidal feelings needs a caring ear - someone who will really listen, and try to understand. You can be the one to lend that ear by volunteering with The Samaritans of Boston.

Through the Samaritans free, confidential, 24 hour telephone befriending services trained adult and teen volunteers provide a kind of emotional support that can be very hard to find, and which can be a critical factor in preventing suicide.

You can help prevent suicides and alleviate the pain of isolation by applying to be a volunteer with the Samaritans of Boston. Volunteer opportunities are available for adults and teens 16-19. Call 617-536-2460 for more information. All Samaritans volunteers receive free training.

BURLINGTON TEMPLE HOSTS TOT SHABBAT

Temple Shalom Emeth, Burlington, will host a Tot Shabbat program on Saturday, January 11 at 10 a.m. at the temple. Following the service there will be a craft project and snacks. The theme of this month's service is the holiday of Tu B'Shvat, honoring trees.

Tot Shabbat is open to all families with children ages five and under. Older siblings are always welcome. The Shabbat service, craft activities, and snacks are free of charge, but donations are always welcome and help to support this wonderful program.

Temple Shalom Emeth, located at 16 Lexington St. Burlington, is a reform synagogue, serving Burlington and the neighboring communities. For additional information call 781-272-2351, or visit www.uahc.org/ma/tse.

AUDITIONS FOR LEND ME A TENOR

The Theatre Company of Saugus will hold auditions to cast a production of Lend Me A Tenor, the wildly exciting, fast paced comedy farce by Ken Ludwig. Set in the world of professional opera, this energetic comedy mixes celebrity worship, backstage maneuverings, and mistaken identities to tell the story of a simple guy who rises to the top.

Auditions will be held on Sunday January 19 at 7:30 p.m. and Monday January 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the little theater at St. John's Episcopal Church, on Central St. at the corner of Prospect St., near the center of Saugus. Callbacks, if necessary, will be on Wednesday January 22 at 7:30 p.m. Performances will be April 4-13.

Any and all actors and actresses over the age of 18 are encouraged to audition. There are four male and four female roles, ranging in age from 20s to 60s. Be prepared to perform a nearly cold reading. The production will be directed by Chris O'Neill. For more information call 617-470-6323 or visit tcsaugus.home.attbi.com.

DANCE PROGRAM AT JFK LIBRARY

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ensemble, will perform detailed dances in authentic costumes that herald the rich traditions of Cambodia's rich cultural heritage for family audiences with children ages 5 or older.

The performance starts at 10:30 a.m. at the JFK Library and Museum, Columbia Point, Boston. All Celebrate! performances are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations are not necessary. Space is available on first come, first serve basis.

For further information call 877-616-4599 or visit www.jfklibrary.org
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Become a Big Sister. Offer support and friendship to a girl between the ages of 7 and 15. Bit Sister Assn. of Greater Boston offers monthly information sessions at the Peabody office and weekly ones at the Boston office.

Call 617-236-8060 and visit www.bigsister.org.
**LOCAL RINK OFFERING
PUBLIC SKATING**

The Chelmsford Forum, conveniently located on the Chelmsford and North Billerica line in North Billerica, is currently offering daily public skating and open hockey times six days a week.

From Monday through Friday, public skating is held from 10:30 a.m. to noon, followed by open hockey from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Additional public skating times during the week are offered on Friday evenings from 7:30-8:50 p.m. Weekend sessions are offered from 1:30-2:50 p.m. on Sunday through the month of February.

There is no public hockey February 17-21, but that should not stop you from heading down to the rink and skating with your friends and family.

Admission for public skating is \$3 and public hockey costs \$6. Rental skates are available on a first come, first served basis and can be borrowed for \$4. For more information call 978-670-3700 or visit www.fmcarenas.com.

MELROSE CHAPTER AARP MEETING

Chapter 1124 will hold its first meeting of 2003 on Friday, January 10, at the Melrose Highlands Congregational Church, 355 Franklin St. Melrose.

The church is handicap accessible at the rear of the building. Doors are open at 1 p.m. followed by the business meeting at 1:30 p.m. Beatrice Wadland, District Coordinator will be the speaker.

Chapter dues for the year 2003 are due and payable in January. If Melrose public schools are closed due to weather, meeting is postponed

to the following week. Any questions call Walter Redding, President, at 781-438-1554.

BEACON HOSPICE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Beacon Hospice needs volunteers to provide support to Hospice patients and their families. Volunteers are invited to participate in a seven session, comprehensive training program.

The training will be offered in Beverly at 100 Cummings Center, suite 222C, on Monday and Thursday evenings, January 27-February 17. After completion of the training, volunteers will be assigned to assist patients and their families.

On going training, support, and educational opportunities will be available for specialized volunteer roles.

For further information and registration contact Janet Campbell, at Beacon Hospice 978-524-9510.

ARTIST PAUL GEORGE DEMONSTRATION JAN. 8

The Reading Art Assn. is presenting Paul George for a watercolor landscape demonstration. It will be held on Wednesday, January 8 at the Congregational Church (Guild Hall), Sanborn Street, Reading. The demonstration will begin at 7:30 p.m., with refreshments served at intermission.

Paul George was born in Cambridge, Ma., receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in human relations from Northeastern University in Boston. He then studied at the MFA School in Boston, and with numerous nationally renowned artists.

The public is cordially invited to attend the demonstration, with a suggested donation of \$3.00. Membership inquiries may be directed to Leo Lambert.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR SEPARATED/DIVORCED

Separated/divorced support group meets weekly on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Lynnfield Community Church,

735 Salem St., Lynnfield. Call Diane at 978-774-2961 or Donna (p.m.) at 781-246-5065. Parking is in rear of church.
**SPANISH GUITARIST
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On Friday, January 10 at 7:30 p.m. the Music Department of Phillips Academy will present a Guest Guitar Recital featuring Carlos Pons Altes from Barcelona, Spain. The program will include works by Jose de Azpiaz, Enrique Granados and Marion Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

Carlos Pons Altes has been teaching guitar professionally since 1985 and was recently the Head of Department at the Music Conservatory in Irun, Spain. He has also taught masterclasses both in Bahrain, Persian Gulf and in Ankara, Turkey. Mr. Pons Altes received a Higher Degree in Guitar from the Music Conservatory in Barcelona and a Professional Degree in Guitar from the Music Conservatory in Lleida, Spain. Mr. Pons Altes has been performing this past fall in Bulgaria, Italy, Switzerland and Peru.

This concert is free and open to the public. Cochran Chapel is on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St., Andover. The Cochran Chapel is handicapped accessible. Any inquiries regarding this performance may be made by calling the Phillips Academy Music Dept at 978-749-4263 or visit music@andover.edu.

ADULT BEREAVEMENT GROUP OFFERED

Visiting Nurse Hospice will offer a bereavement support group for adults coping with the loss of a loved one. The group will meet for six consecutive weeks beginning on Wednesday, January 15 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the VNA of Middlesex East and Visiting Nurse Hospice, located at the Lakeside Office Park in Wakefield, 607 North Ave., Door 17, second floor.

Visiting Nurse Hospice recognizes that the death of a family member or friend is a very difficult time for those left behind. While each of us grieves in distinct ways, there are similarities. Sharing feelings and concerns with other can help individuals come to terms with a loved one's death.

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The group is free of charge. Individuals interested in attending this group should register with Kathleen Sawyer, LICSW by calling her at 781-224-3399.

LA LECHE MEETING IN WILMINGTON

Breastfeeding topics will be explored on Friday, January 10 at 10 a.m. as La Leche League of Wilmington meets to discuss "The Advantages of Breastfeeding" at the Winchester Hospital Family Medical Center, 500 Salem St. (Rte 62) Wilmington. Meetings are held on the 2nd Friday of each month. Women from surrounding towns are welcome.

This meeting is the first in the current series of four monthly meetings open to nursing mothers and their babies, as well as pregnant and other interested women. The discussion is informal, with opportunity to ask questions and share experiences. The group maintains a lending library of books on breastfeeding, childbirth and childcare.

La Leche League Leaders may be called at any time for immediate help, encouragement, and practical suggestions regarding breastfeeding, or to obtain the manual, The Womanly Art of Breastfeeding.

For directions, further information or support, please call Terry at 978-694-1073 or Karen at 978-657-8301.

BIG SISTER

SUPPORT GROUP

The Big Sister Assn. of Greater Boston is seeking women to provide friendship and support to girls in the community. An information session will be held at the Peabody office, located at 47-49 Central St., Peabody on Monday January 13 from 6-7 p.m.

To register or for more

information, call 978-531-8040 or 617-236-9060.

UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER SPEAKS

Underwater photographer Jonathan Bird will speak and have a slide show to benefit No. Reading's Oceanic Research Group.

The presentation will be held on Saturday, January 11th at Mass Bay Community College Auditorium in Wellesley. There is no charge for the event but donations will be accepted.

Bird's presentation will feature underwater images of humpback whales in the Dominican Republic, dolphins in the Bahamas, sharks in the Galapagos, the underwater caves of the Yucatan, the reefs of Fiji and others.

For more information on the event please go to the website <http://www.oceanicresearch.org>

NORTH SHORE HAS POETRY CONTEST

The North Shore Poets Forum is sponsoring the annual Naomi Cherkofsky Memorial Contest, open to all poets 18 years of age or older.

Deadline for entering is February 25th.

Subject and form are poets choice with a 40 line limit. Contestants must send two copies of each poem, one with name and address and one with no ID for the judge. Poems must not have been previously published. Entry fee is \$3.00 per poem. Prizes are \$50, \$30 and \$20 for first, second and third place.

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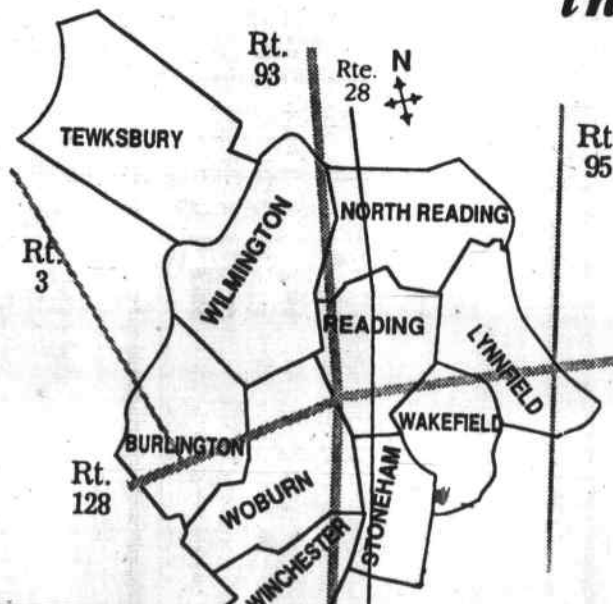
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Winchester Hospital Call for volunteers

WINCHESTER - The Friends of Winchester Hospital extends an invitation to all men and women of the communities served by the hospital to attend an orientation for prospective adult volunteers to learn more about current volunteer opportunities.

On Tuesday Jan. 14, Barbara Gillespie and Audrey Caulfield, Vice Chairpersons of the Volunteer Services Board, and Marie Johnson, Director of Volunteer Services, will host a session at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the hospital.

Coffee and a brief tour of the hospital will follow the introduction.

Please come and learn about being a volunteer at Winchester Hospital.



STEPHEN MAY, 3, dad Robert and sister Sydney, 6, keep an eye on a craft table demonstration during the recent annual Holiday Fair at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Lynnfield. Some of the craft tables included white elephants, used books and videos, home baked goods, fudge and candy, hand-made crafts, plants, jewelry, children's used toys and a game room as well as hand made knit wear and a farmer's market. (Don Young photo)

Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

•MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION: Last Friday was the tenth anniversary of a record-setting moment in National Football League history. What was the event? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•BURLINGTON'S PATRICE SINGLETON, a freshman forward for the Nichols College women's soccer team, played in 18 games this fall and recorded three goals and four assists.

•STONEHAM'S PATRICK DICKIE, a junior defensive lineman for the Nichols College football team, recorded 19 tackles this season, seven for losses, and led the team with four sacks.

favorite pastimes: painting. "Health woes haven't dulled Margarita's sharp wit or his vivid memories of historical facts, and they couldn't stop him from attending the Stoneham High pep rally...."

Blossoming in North Reading

Darren Malek was recently notified that he received second place in the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts High School Essay Contest. The selected title was 'Celebrate Your Garden with a Friend.' The contest, open to all high school students of Massachusetts, has guidelines for eligibility.

"Darren, the son of Joseph and Charlene Malek, is a 2002 honor graduate of North Reading High School

School Notes to S-1

•THE BURLINGTON ICE PALACE, conveniently located at 36 Ray Avenue in Burlington, is currently offering daily Public Skating time six days a week. From Monday through Friday, public skating is held from 10:30 am to 12 pm, followed by Stick Practice from 12-1:15 pm. Weekend sessions are offered from 3:30-4:30 pm on Saturday and on Sunday, from 3:20-4:20 pm throughout the month of December. Call 781-272-9517 for more details.

Need some help with this week's trivia question? The event took place during the NFL playoffs that year.

•READING'S STEVEN SAVIANO had a goal and an assists and fellow **READINGITE SEAN COLLINS** had a goal to help the University of New Hampshire knockoff the Merrimack College men's ice hockey team 8-3. Skating for Merrimack was **READING'S BRENDAN CLARK**, who made the team as a walk-on.

•A TANNER PRIDE SOFTBALL CLINIC will be held December 26-28 at Hitter's Alley in Woburn from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The program is for girls ages 9 to 15. Fee is \$80 per player. All fundamentals will be stressed including specific drills for pitching, catching, infield, and hitting. The camp staff will include current college softball players. Enrollment is limited so call Michele or Jacqui Greene at 781-939-6991.

•THE COLONIAL ADULT MASTERS SYNCHRONIZED SKATING TEAM is recruiting for new members for the 2003 season. The team, comprised of

skaters from four New England states, has in its two competitive seasons qualified for and been finalists at the National Synchronized Skating Championships. Skaters must be age 25 or older, with good command of edges, turns, and stops and be current USFSA or ISI members at the time of try-out. For more information call 978-263-3450.

•BURLINGTON'S JASON DEKOW, a freshman linebacker for the Nichols College football team, played in four games this fall and recorded four tackles.

The 'RED HEAT' is looking for experienced softball players to participate in a 15 game schedule on Sunday's at Strike One in Danvers through March of 2003. Players should be between the ages of 15 and 18. For additional information call David at 781-246-0098.

•BURLINGTON'S THOMAS MANN, a sophomore midfielder on the Nichols College men's soccer team, played in 13 games this year and scored his first collegiate goal against St. Joe's. He also had two assists on the year.

•ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION: On January 3, 1993, the Buffalo Bills pulled off the greatest comeback in NFL history when they rallied from a 35-3 third quarter deficit to beat the Houston Oilers, 41-38, in the AFC Wild Card playoff game. Bills backup quarterback Frank Reich, subbing for an injured Jim Kelly, threw four touchdown passes to complete the thrilling victory.

School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

CELEBRATING: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

Retiring in Stoneham

"The image of Henry 'Bob' Margarita has taken on many different shapes and meanings during his legendary tenure of education, coaching and support of the students at Stoneham High School," notes the "Stoneham Independent."

"Coach" or Mr. Margarita, as he is known to so many that walked the corridors of Stoneham High, was still a young man of 44 years, handsome and strong, when he

first joined Stoneham in 1964 as the head football coach and history teacher.

"Many more remember Margarita as the gray-haired bespectacled grandfatherly equipment manager for the Stoneham athletic department; the high school kids would know he had arrived at school for the day when they heard him calling for his trusty yellow Labrador (first Luke, and now Root Beer) as he ambled down the halls toward the locker rooms in the basement. As equipment manager and the

Spartans number one fan, Margarita was a constant at all manner of local sporting events.

"He was a staple at football games adjusting helmets and pads, or with his famous folding chair and prime parking spot for the Lady Spartan softball games.

"The 82 year old Margarita's health has begun to betray him as emphysema forced him to give up his days as equipment manager last spring, and carpal tunnel syndrome in both hands keep him from one of his

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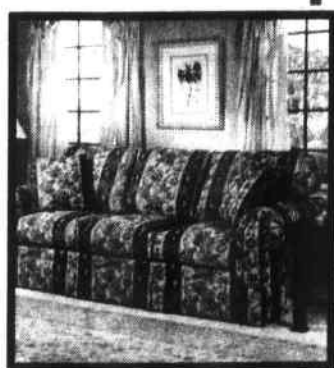
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Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

"About Schmidt" an emotional ride

MOVIE: "ABOUT SCHMIDT"
GRADE: ***

Review: Jack Nicholson turns in a performance that is already getting Oscar attention as Warren Schmidt, who wakes up one morning after retiring from his insurance sales job to realize that he can't stand his wife.

She then dies, and Schmidt embarks on a voyage of self-discovery, and begins an attempt to get closer to his daughter, who is busy planning her wedding. She wants nothing to do with him at first, but eventually comes around to the idea, perhaps because he arrives on her doorstep in a huge Winnebago and refuses to leave.

By the end of the film, Schmidt has come to accept his lot in life, and begins his new job - living.

SHORTTAKES
MOVIE: "THE WILD THORNBERRYS MOVIE"
GRADE: ***

Review: Fans of the animated series 'The Wild Thornberrys' on Nickelodeon will enjoy this big screen incarnation.

As many children will know, Eliza Thornberry

(voiced by Lacey Chabert of 'Party of Five') can talk to animals, a secret that only she knows. She pits this talent to good use travelling the globe with family, who produce and host a show about wildlife.

The plot revolves around a cheetah cub who is stolen by poachers while in Eliza's care, and she decides to take the group of animal-stealers on herself, with some help

from her furry (and not so furry) animal friends.

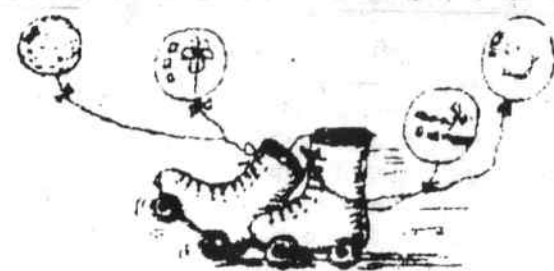
The scenes involving the poachers are a little scary for very young viewers, but the overall message of the film is a good one - believe in yourself, and you can accomplish just about anything.

MOVIE: "THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE TWO TOWERS"
GRADE: ****

Movies to S-11

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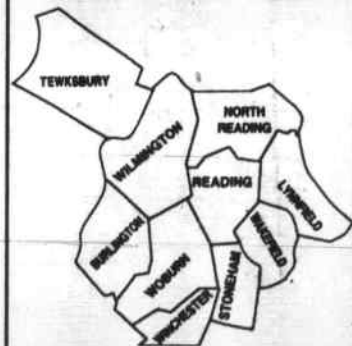
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Real Estate Transfers

Filing at Registry of Deeds:

BURLINGTON-

Median Price \$307,000

80 LOCUST ST was sold to Joseph R Basile & Keri A Foye by Janet A Griffin for \$362,000

1 RUSSELL CIR was sold to James B Sickles & Barbara A Sickles by Edwin K Hania for \$465,000

LYNNFIELD-

No Real Estate Sales Recorded for this Week.

NORTH READING-

Median Price \$296,250

2 GREENBRIAR DR U:302 was sold to Rajiv K Patel & Chaula R Patel by Anthony Oliveri & Janice O Oliveri for \$184,100

32 SPOON WAY U:135 was sold to Richard K Reynolds & Donna M Reynolds by Deborah A Cavanagh for \$380,000

READING-

Median Price \$315,000

8 CARNATION CIR U:C was sold to Nancy H Guay by Edward W Marchand & Carol A Marchand for \$393,500

21 FRANKLIN ST was sold to Jonathan J Fandel & Amy L Fandel by Milton L Rowe & Doris A Rowe for \$400,000

STONEHAM-

Median Price \$295,000

106 SUMMER ST was sold to Steven P White & Kathleen M White by Dorothy M Pothier for \$50,000

TEWKSBURY-

Median Price \$259,900

15 ANTHONY RD was sold to Mark A Lepore & Sheila M Lepore by Karen A Harkins & Stephen J Harkins for \$319,900

114 APACHE WAY U:114 was sold to Gerald Bizzarro & Janice Bizzarro by Bruce H Novak & Regina A Novak for \$232,000

195 ASTLE ST was sold to Christine Trodella & Vincent Trodella by Corinne G Hillis & Francis Hillis for \$392,500

1123 CHANDLER ST was sold to Kimberly Ann Silva & Peter F Silva by Steven Krintz for \$295,000

25 CINNAMON CIR was sold to James Z Dec & Samantha M Aguiar by Richard C Gagnon for \$168,000

29 DECAROLIS DR U:29-6 was sold to Gina M Ortiz & Jose Ortiz Jr by Christine Wheaton & Dorothea Parke for \$210,000

120 GERMANO DR was sold to Karen A Harkins & Stephen J Harkins by Melissa J Binette & Michael A Binette for \$440,000

107 KENDALL RD was sold to Darlene M Bump & Robert P Bump by Robert P Bump

65 LOWE ST was sold to Douglas A Mcmenimen & Paula A Mcmenimen by Karen R Johnson for \$325,000

1388 MAIN ST was sold to Marybeth Traynor by Stephen Folger & Susan C Folger for \$325,000

152 MERRIMACK MEADOWS IN U:165 was sold to Julie Ann McCarthy & Rod A McCarthy by Julie Ann Leopardo & Rod McCarthy

77 NEW YORK RD was sold to Leisa M Ginsburg & Marc P Ginsburg by Lmg RT & Leisa M Ginsburg Tr

4 NEWTON AVE was sold to Cynthia Gruca by Gruca RT & Patricia A Gruca Tr for \$175,000

22 PATRICK RD U:22 was sold to Jennifer R Doyle & Mathew Doyle by Jennifer S Doyle & Jennifer S Robbins for

50 PATRICK RD U:50 was sold to Joan Obrien by Kevin C Sullivan for \$207,000

110 PINE ST was sold to Susan M Theriault by Mary C

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110 PINE ST was sold to Mary C Theriault & Susan M Theriault by Susan M Theriault

37 PRATT ST was sold to Marie R Bourgeois & Steven A Bourgeois by Bourgeois RT 01 2000 & Marie R Bourgeois Tr

47 RIVERDALE AVE was sold to James F Mackey by Gail C Mastrullo FT & Gail C Mastrullo Tr for \$140,000

175 SOUTH ST was sold to Pamela Murphy by Keith A Mitchell & Luzia L Mitchell for \$269,900

35 TOMAHAWK DR was sold to John Forster by Bruce R Gretter & Fay H Gretter Est for \$279,900

1265 WHIPPLE RD was sold to Patricia A Mignon & Stephen F Gillis by Douglas A Mcmenimen & Paula A Mcmenimen for \$259,900

11 WOLCOTT ST was sold to Jodi Anne Sannicandro by Elekes FT & Pearl Rainey Tr for \$202,000

WAKEFIELD-

Median Price \$300,000

85 FARM ST was sold to Gregory C Robinson by Richard E Mahan & Gloria M Mahan for \$355,000

1 OUTLOOK RD was sold to Robert H Guida & Colleen E Guida by Nancy H Guay for \$575,000

399 SALEM ST was sold to Gaetano Denardo by Wilfred R Correia & Lucille Correia for \$361,000

NO STREET GIVEN L:MUITI was sold to Upland Est Llc by Callielee M Wood for \$425,000

Mary Ann Quinn Broker of Month

RE/MAX Top Achievers, Inc. congratulates Mary Ann Quinn, CBR, CRS, GRI, LTR, SRES and her team for outstanding sales performance for the month of December. Mary Ann has been a consistent leader in real estate for years.



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Quinn to S-9

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READING



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NORTH READING



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READING



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LAWRENCE - NEW LISTING



Yes, we're everywhere! A super opportunity exists in this 7RM, 4BR, 1 1/2BA Foursquare Colonial located on quiet street in Tower Hill. HW flrs, blt-ins, porch & more. Take a look! \$189,900.

READING - NEW LISTING



Well maintained and well located 2nd flr, 1BR unit at Summit Terrace. This newly painted Condo offers new carpet, new washer & dryer (included) and nice balcony with super views. \$199,900.

READING - NEWLY REPRICED



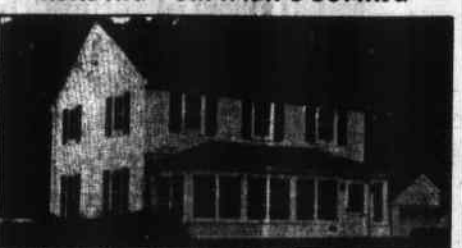
Don't delay on this 1-owner, 6RM, 3BR, westside Cape. On dead end street near parks & schools, this property will adapt well to your expansion and updating. Town's best value now at \$309,900.

READING - NEW LISTING



On beautiful lot in westside family n'hood, this spacious 7RM, 3-4BR Cape offers new 16X18 FR addition. Many recent updates make this home a must see. Affordable at \$349,900.

READING - SUMMER'S COMING



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New listing! Don't miss this 7 room, 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath Colonial with many surprising features. Large fenced yard with in-ground pool & cabana with full bath, kitchen & extra room. \$439,000



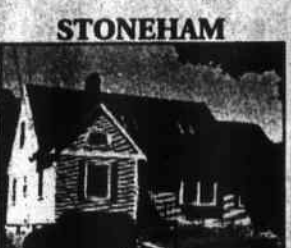
Charming, bright 2 bedroom Garden Style Condo! Second floor location, newer appliances, lighting, mirrored doors & carpet. Master bedroom with walk-in closet & more. Enclosed porch overlooking courtyard & pool. \$209,900



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The ground floor is devoted entirely to shared living spaces. Entering, you step into a wide foyer, open to the living room on the left. Across the hall a powder room and coat closet link to the utility room and garage. This arrangement doubles as a mud room, for shucking dirty footwear or wiping muddy paws.

Counters wrap around four sides of a roomy kitchen that is open to both the family room and nook. Working at the sink,

you can converse with people in either room, or gaze out the nook's glassy walls into the rear yard.

A long conversation bar marks the family room's boundary. Facing across it, family members working in the kitchen can enjoy watching flames dance in the gas fire- place across the room. Wide sliders in the rear wall open onto a covered deck.

Both the kitchen and the living room are linked to a dining room brightened by windows on two sides.

The Gifford's master suite fills the entire left side of the upper level. Amenities here include a large walk-in closet, a posh bathroom, and a sleeping area large enough to accommo- date a couple of easy chairs for winding down in the evening. Two more bedrooms, plus a deep skylit bonus room, are

also on the upper level.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$25 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, OR 97402. Please specify the Gifford 30-363 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring more than 350 home plans is available for \$15. For more information, call (800) 634-0123.

Think safety when painting

Painting safety starts by taking care of yourself. When painting inside, keep these crit- ical points of protection in mind.

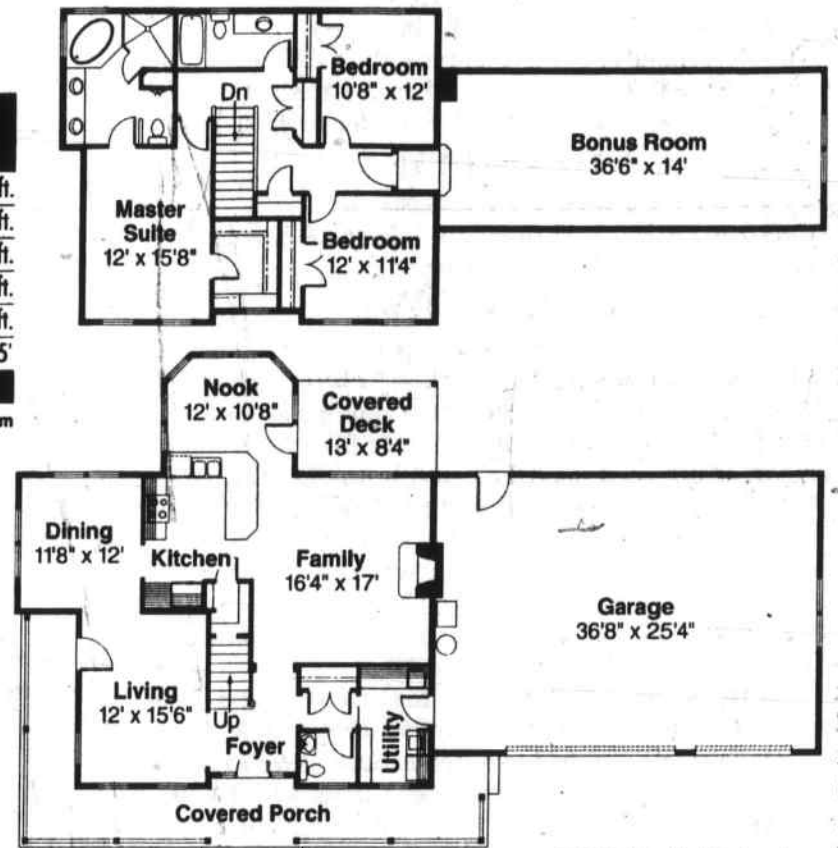
Eyes. When scraping, power sanding, painting overhead or spray-painting, wear plastic safety glasses or goggles to protect your eyes from flying paint droplets and particles. If you get something in an eye, rinse it out immediately with fresh water.

Hands. Many liquids associ- ated with painting (thinners, removers, cleaning solvents and bleach) are toxic or harm- ful to your skin. When handling these liquids, wear appropriate gloves: latex for latex paints and stains and neoprene for most solvents. The experts at Home Depot recommend wear- ing cloth work gloves when sanding, scraping or using cleaning pads, like steel wool.

Feet. Paints are slippery liq- uids. Wear shoes with slip-resis- tant soles.



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sanding paint that is not lead based, wear a tight-fitting, dust resistant mask. When you smell a solvent or paint, you are breathing it. Wear a respi- rator recommended for the sol- vent and be sure the space is adequately ventilated whenever you are working indoors.

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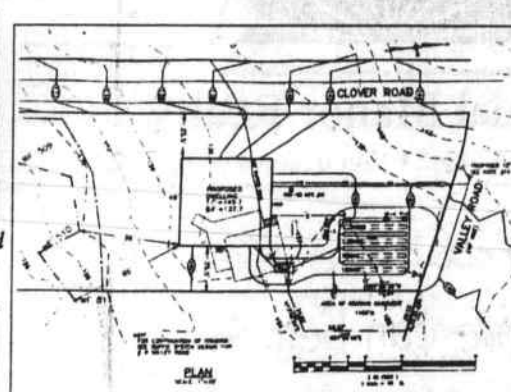
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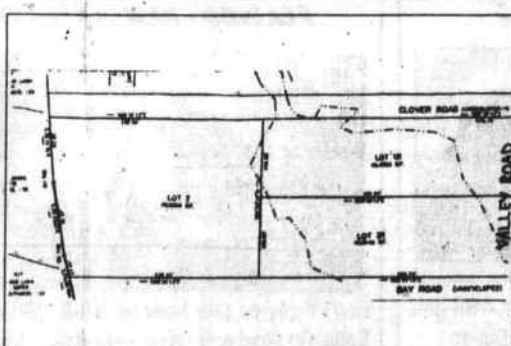
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Prudential Suburban, Realtors is pleased to announce the association of George Miller with their office. George recently became a member of the Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors at a recent membership meeting held at the Hillview Country Club in North Reading. Pictured is George being congratulated by President Elaine Hoff.

Prior to becoming a Realtor, George was in the auto rental business, servicing the needs of

the local community in Burlington for 22 years with Budget Rent a Car, Thrifty Car Rental and Ryder Truck Rental.

George is also a coach and past board member of Burlington Baseball/Softball Association. George resides in Burlington with his wife Linda and their four children Heather, Kristin, Dawne and Michael.

George can be reached at Prudential Suburban Realtors at (781) 272-2070.

Quinn From S-7

must demonstrate specific expertise in applied residential real estate marketing.

Less than three percent of all Realtors hold this designation. She is a graduate of Merrimack College and is a former vice president of the Bank of Boston. A frequent recipient of sales awards, Mary Ann is deeply committed to service and professionalism.

She and her husband, Bob, have two children, Emily and Michael, and are Reading residents. Mary Ann is President-Elect of the Eastern Middlesex Board of Realtors, a member of

the National Association of Realtors, and Past President and National Governor for the Women's Council of Realtors (WCR). In 1999, Mary Ann was the recipient of the Women's Council of Realtors Member of the Year award.

In 2001, Mary Ann received the Realtor of the award for the Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors.

Mary Ann Quinn can be reached at RE/MAX Top Achievers, 100 Main St., Reading, or by phone at (781) 944-6060. Also visit her Web site at www.MaryAnnQuinn.com or by email at MaryAnn@MaryAnnQuinn.net

U.S. postage stamps are going "batty" this year

This year, the U.S. Postal Service's theme for National Stamp Collecting Month will center on the new Americans Bats stamps and the critical role bats play in helping preserve the environment.

Stamp collecting opens the door to an exciting world of history, geography, the arts, technology and sports. Stamps can introduce us to heads of state and soldiers who changed the course of history. Or they can spotlight cartoon characters, like Porky Pig, or glamorous movie stars.

Perhaps one of the best things about stamp collecting is that it is an affordable hobby that will last a lifetime.

There is a story behind every commemorative stamp-stories that can take us to exotic places or allow us to meet famous people.

Learning about our history and our forefathers through stamps can help us learn more about our nation and our world. Stamps can also take us back in time and help us relive moments in the past-moments that we cherish.

During October, children of all ages will be participating in national Stamp Collecting Month activities around the country. This year's National Stamp Collecting Month will be the 22nd annual event since its inception in 1981.

Transfers from S-7

-WOBURN-

Median Price: \$260,000

39 INDEPENDENCE DR was sold to Mark G Lynch & Christine Lynch by Elia P Demetri & Charlotte A Demetri for \$410,000

410-416 MAIN ST was sold to Sonny Shami-noori by Felicia Rt & James V Damico 3rd Tr for \$400,000

1 PROSPECT AVE was sold to Wilton Rangel & Maura Rangel by Edward Berman & Michele A Berman for \$265,000

37 VERNON ST was sold to Sean Crowley & Brenda Wells-crowley by Joseph F Wells & Jacquelyn A Wells for \$280,000

Bathroom clean up ideas

To prevent microbes from using your bathroom, experts suggest you keep these helpful hints in mind:

- Always keep an all-purpose cleaner and a sponge in the guest bath so you can sneak away and clean up when unexpected company shows up.
- Steam helps to loosen buildup, so why not clean while

you're in there.

• To avoid bathtub rings, don't use oily bath preparation. Use a water softener if you live in a hard-water area, and rinse the tub immediately after bathing.

• Can't get to that dirt in the corner? Make a pointed tool by cutting an old whisk broom at

Bathroom to S-10



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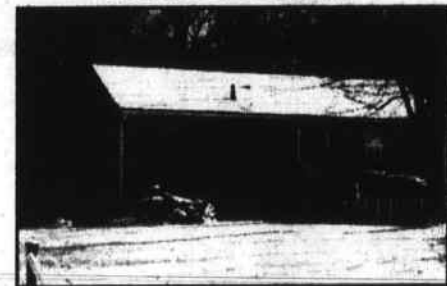
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Noreen Manzo

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Noreen Manzo can be reached at (617) 283-4264 and Steve Macdonald can be reached at (508) 982-5005.

Bathroom From S-9 a 45-degree angle.

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Ways to improve indoor air quality

Most Americans consider their home a sanctuary—a place to raise their children, entertain friends and enjoy life. Unfortunately, poor indoor air quality can make a home a lot less livable. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the air inside home may be up to five times more polluted than the air outside. Moreover, the EPA ranks poor indoor air quality among the top five environmental risks.

The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA) says maintaining clean indoor air is important because, at certain times of the year, people spend as much as 90 percent of their time indoors. Therefore, home owners need to be aware of the health hazards that lurk within the walls of their seemingly safe haven.

Because indoor air is recycled, it traps pollutants, such as dust mites, pet dander, dirt particles, bioaerosols, odors and chemicals. The resulting poor indoor air quality can cause headaches, nausea and lethargy, and can contribute to the development of chronic respiratory disease.

Lennox Industries, a global leader in air conditioning and heating systems that offers a complete line of indoor air quality products, and AAFA believe that environmental and

lifestyle changes can make a tremendous difference in reducing allergy symptoms and providing relief for millions of sufferers.

Lennox Industries has developed simple tips to help even severe sufferers clear the air, including:

Tackle Toxins. Eliminating individual sources of pollution or reducing their emissions is one way to alleviate poor indoor air quality. Here's how:

- Safely store all household products. To keep household chemicals, such as cleaning agents, pesticides, paints and other toxic substances, from releasing hazardous fumes throughout the inside of a home, keep all substances away from return air vents where the toxic fumes might be drawn in and circulated through the home.

- Install carbon monoxide detectors along with smoke detectors throughout the home. These types of equipment will help detect this unwanted toxin from roaming through the home.

- Hire a professional heating and cooling service company to inspect heating and ventilation systems once a year. A routine maintenance checkup, along with a proper draft and

pressurization analysis of a home, will uncover potential sources of pollution as well as other repairs that are needed.

Pure-ify Your Home. Another way to reduce indoor air pollutants is to dilute their concentration by destroying pollutants or by circulating fresh outdoor air through the home.

- Ventilate the air inside your home with fresh, filtered outside air. Use a quality ventilation system to help remove the particles and bioaerosols that can trigger allergies.

- Clean indoor air further with electronic air cleaners and high-efficiency air filters that capture even smaller particles. For example, the new Lennox PureAir air purification system has been proven to clean air inside home better than any other system you can buy, effectively removing all classes of contaminants and destroying odors and chemicals.

- Monitor humidity and temperature levels. Install humidistats, such as the new Healthy Climate Power and By-Pass Humidifier by Lennox, and thermostats to improve air quality and enhance comfort. Regulating moisture levels and temperatures helps reduce con-

centrations of particles and bioaerosols.

- Install exhaust fans in bathrooms and kitchens. Fans in these vulnerable areas can help remove contaminants directly from the room and also increase the circulation of outdoor air.

Make Keeping Clean a Routine.

A regular cleaning schedule will help keep pollen, dust and unwanted particles from becoming a problem. Consider these tips:

- Vacuum at least once or twice a week. Use a vacuum cleaner with a HEPA (high efficiency particulate air) filter.

- Dust surfaces regularly. Consider wearing a filtered face mask while doing housework, since cleaning tends to stir up dust and particles.

- Regularly wash all bed linens and stuffed toys. To kill dust mites, wash everything in hot water, at least 130 degrees Fahrenheit.

For more information on improving air quality and products that can help consumers breathe easier, visit www.lennox.com or call 1-800-LENNOX (953-6669).

For additional general information on asthma and allergies, contact AAFA at 1-800-7-ASTHMA or visit www.aaafa.org.

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ANTHONY MANCONI

From S-1

superior replied, "you've been nothing but a CHRONIC COMPLAINER since you got here!"

MARIO DIMINO A HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR for a construction company made the mistake of marrying a SOCIETY DEBUTANTE.

Mario's lunch box had one DAINY SANDWICH AND A BANANA. He reminded his wife that one sandwich was not enough for a construction worker. So she proceeded to put in TWO DAINY SANDWICHES in Mario's lunch box. After more complaints, she bought a one pound loaf of ITALIAN BREAD, cut it LENGTHWISE then FILED IT WITH ONE POUND OF SALAMI, half pound of AMERICAN CHEESE, a SLICED TOMATO and some LETTUCE. She wrapped it all up, put it in a large BROWN PAPER BAG and gave it to Mario the next morning.

That night she WAITED IN VAIN for a compliment. When NONE WAS FORTHCOMING she asked, "HOW WAS YOUR LUNCH TODAY DEAR?" "OH OKAY I GUESS, but, I see that you're BACK TO ONE SANDWICH AGAIN!"

Folks, I'm the BOSS in my house but, Kathy gives THE ORDERS. She said to me today, "be a MAN and DO WHAT I TELL YOU TO DO."

Kathy showed me the CARD she got from a DRUGSTORE SCALE. It said, "you're BEAUTIFUL and you WEIGH 120 POUNDS." "LOOK DEAR," I told her, "it has your WEIGHT WRONG TOO."

PERSONALITY WINNERS - Pam Coppola, Melissa Hanafin, Ashley Miles, Melissa Canata and Anne Chandonet all of

Notes From S-6

and is currently attending the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. He was sponsored by the North Reading Garden Club.

"This year's essay topic is 'Celebrate Your Garden with a friend - The Environment.' For more detailed information, contact North Reading Garden Club member Ruth Kennedy at 978-276-5977."

BURLINGTON

Margaret Mooney, Evan Colton, Don Harriss, Christopher McNamara and Steven Schnelle all of LYNNFIELD.

Cassandra Barbas, Melissa Cronin, Christina Giordano, Peter Hemme and Courtney Murgia all of NORTH READING.

John Mitchell, Jo Ann Simons, Brendon Clark, Jenny Shoemaker, Katie Rush and Lindsay Walsh all of READING.

Derek Naehle, Melissa Asci, Mark Anzalone, Meaghan Federico and Shanna & Megan Twohig all of STONEHAM.

Dan Sarsfield, Steve Kasprzak, Samantha Burke, Rachel Coombes and Keith Hyland all of TEWKSBURY.

Elizabeth Harrington, Lucas Brierty, William Morrison, Katie Latham and Kerry Higgins all of WAKEFIELD.

Edward Goodwin, Joanne Reese, Chris Irving, Jack Beachamp and Terry Marotta all of WINCHESTER.

Dean Solomon, Meaghan Sherry, Nicole Scire, Amanda Cantone, Paul and Ruth Haggerty all of WOBURN.

DREAMBOATS

Shannon Brigham of LYNNFIELD, Marcia Morang of NORTH READING, Kim Penney of READING, Nicole Naehle of STONEHAM, Nancy O'Toole of TEWKSBURY, Pricilla Renda of WAKEFIELD, Meghan Ballou of WILMINGTON, Nancy Sullivan of WINCHESTER and Martha Burns of WOBURN.

SUPERSTARS

Police Captain George Devlin of BURLINGTON, Matthew Brigham of LYNNFIELD, Arlene Lynch of NORTH READING, Dennis Drinkwater of READING, Ethel LaSalle of STONEHAM, Bob Pappagianopoulos of TEWKSBURY, Richard Harrington of WAKEFIELD, Patrice Mendoza of WILMINGTON, Father Dick Messina of WINCHESTER and Kerrin Arnold of WOBURN.

I remember my teacher SENDING A NOTE to my FATHER SAYING, "YOUR SON SHOULD HAVE AN ENCYCLOPEDIA." MY FATHER REPLIED, "MY SON ANTHONY, CAN 'WALK' TO SCHOOL - LIKE I DID!"

Office space

From S-1

flat over the last 24 months. It is picking up a bit."

According to Cronin, Meredith & Grew tracks activity in 30 buildings on the North Shore.

"We're starting to see some activity with companies like Epsilon moving from Burlington to Wakefield. Metcalf and Eddy are moving from the Harvard Mills Building in Wakefield to a new building in Edgewater Office Park," Cronin said. "Companies in older spaces are moving to newer quarters."

It is Cronin's opinion also that more of this activity will occur with leases coming up for renewal. According to Cronin, many companies might say good-bye to the high price properties in Burlington and Waltham.

Cronin looked toward the future and said, "We have to be optimistic in this market."

However, his is not a blind optimism. Cronin is basing it on the success of the biotech companies and their migration to this area from Cambridge and Boston. Another sign for Cronin is compliance with federal regulations on financial firms to have back-up facilities a safe distance from major metropolitan areas.

Cronin and Wiseman note that Cummings is backing up its guarded optimism with a bold move by erecting a new six story office building on the site of the former United Shoe Company plant in Beverly. The area has good access to Route 128 and is also close to amenities in downtown Beverly.

Cronin also said, "There is always a demand for incubator space (those tenants that need 2,500 to 5,000 square feet of space)."

Meredith and Grew offers an analysis of real estate space available on its website, www.m-g.com.

The following is an analysis of space in the Route 128 Northwest area (Bedford to Woburn):

"The Route 128 Northwest market consists of 20 million square feet of space and the current vacancy rate of 19.6% has increased over 4 points from year-end 2001 (15.5%). The vacancy rate in the Route 128 Northwest has increased dramatically from 2.7% achieved during 2000. The vacancy "high water" mark for the Route 128 Northwest was achieved during 1991 at 23.7%. It appears that this disappoint-

ing level of vacancy is now not far from our reach. Class A office rents during 1991 averaged \$13.71 per square foot.

Absorption for the third quarter 2002 was a disappointing negative 411,833 square feet, which is largely attributable to the Genuity sublease in Burlington at 3 Van De Graaf Drive (285,000 square feet) and the Logica sublease in Lexington at 32 Hartwell Avenue (70,000 square feet). Both buildings were officially put on the market during the third quarter 2002.

The vacancy rate in Burlington is now 25% compared to 3% at year-end 2000.

The vacancy rate in Burlington is the highest it has ever been (20% in 1990), and subleases continue to be the driving force behind the vacancy for the entire Northwest market:

Q3 2002	Direct	Direct & Sublease
Burlington	13.8%	24.7%
Lexington	7.5%	17.5%
Bedford	8.0%	20.6%

Subleases available in the Route 128 Northwest Year-to-Date:

Burlington		
Genuity	77 South Bedford Street	70,000 SF
Genuity	3 Burlington Woods	70,000 SF
Bedford		
CREO	6 & 8 Oak Park	100,000 SF
Mykrolis	40 Wiggins Avenue	75,000 SF
Bandwith Semi	40 Wiggins Avenue	25,000 SF

Rents have now begun to feel real downward pressure. Asking rents in Burlington now average \$24.00 per square foot, and actual transaction rates have slipped into the \$18 to \$19 per square foot range. Prudent landlords like Boston Properties and Equity Office Properties have utilized aggressive strategies in order to make market lease deals to fill vacancy. Both landlords (the two largest in the Northwest) have actively pursued tenants in the market with flexible lease terms and low rates.

Notable leases during the third quarter:

Σ Verizon extended its lease at 600 Unicorn Park, Woburn and downsized to 35,000 square feet;

Σ Linkage Inc. leased 22,000 square feet at 16 New England Executive Park, Burlington; and

Σ Inmagic leased 15,000 square feet at 200 Unicorn Park, Woburn.

Significant Leases Year to Date:

Σ Siebel Systems leased 100,000 square feet at 8 New

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England Executive Park, Burlington (extension of an existing lease);

Σ AlphaTech leased 58,000 square feet at 6 New England Executive Park, Burlington; and

Σ Digimarc leased 60,000 square feet at 63 Third Avenue, Burlington.

Meredith & Grew's analysis of the Route 128 North (Beverly to Stoneham) area:

The Route 128 North market consists of approximately 6.8 million square feet of first class, multi-tenant office and R&D space. According to our current building survey, the vacancy rate for direct and

Aragorn, Legolas and Gimli, as well as two Hobbit brothers who are lost in a living forest.

The battle sequences are some of the best ever created for the screen, and the special effects are beyond anything else to this point. A completely computer-generated character, Gollum, brings complexity and emotional depth to the film, which speaks to the lengths the effects team went to when creating him.

Fans of the J.R.R. Tolkien book series will notice that this movie varies from the book much more than the first one did, but the end result is a faithful to the overall storyline.

MOVIE: "STAR TREK: NEMESIS"

GRADE: **

Review: Patrick Stewart

returns as Captain Jean-Luc Picard to lead the cast of 'Star Trek: The Next Generation' through their latest, and reportedly final, big screen adventure.

Picard and the crew of the Enterprise must visit Romulus, where the new Romulan leader reportedly wants to make peace with the people of Earth.

Picard eventually discovers that the new leader is a younger clone of himself, the result of a genetic experiment by the Romulans that went bad years ago. The leader's true intentions, the destruction of Earth, soon become apparent, and it is once again up to the crew of the Enterprise to save the universe as we know it.

The special effects are decent, but other than Stewart, the rest of the cast seems to be going through the motions with their lines. The plot is a little far-fetched, but what isn't about the Star Trek universe? True-Trek fans may enjoy the film for the surprise twist it has; near the end, but non-fans may become a bit bored by the goings-on.

Movies From S-6

Review: Director Peter Jackson continues to bring these classic tales to the big screen in a stunning and vibrant manner, and fans of the first installment will be happy to hear there is no dropoff in quality or intensity from the first film.

The second installment focuses on the further adventures of the Fellowship of the Ring, whose ultimate goal is to destroy an all-powerful ring that an evil lord wants to control, thereby plunging the world of Middle Earth into permanent darkness. The group is split up now, and the story gives equal time to the travels of Frodo and his friend Sam, warriors

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